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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Municipal Officers

OF THE

Town of China

FOR THE

Year Ending March 10th, 1905.

News Publishing Co., Bethel, Maine.

Annual Report

of the

Municipal Officers

of the

Town of China

for the

Year Ending March 4th,

1905

BETHEL, MAINE
The News Publishing Company
1905

Assessors' Report.

VALUATION OF 1904.

Real estate, resident,	$375,715	
" " non-resident,	37,925	
		$413,640
Personal estate, resident,	$96,570	
" " non-resident,	420	
		$96,990
Total valuation,		$510,630

Number of polls, 394.
Rate of taxation, .0217.

A. P. MOSHER,
I. H. REED,
A. N. GOODWIN,
Assessors of China.

Selectmen's Report.

RESOURCES.

Tax deeds in hands of treasurer,	$ 472	47
Cash in hands of treasurer,	343	92
Uncollected taxes, 1903, in hands of P. C. Thurston,	1,491	82

Town tax and overlayings,	$10,288 22
State tax,	1,459 65
County tax,	514 79
Refunded dog licenses,	67 65
Received from the State for State road, 1903,	100 00
" " the State for State road, 1904,	200 00
" " the State for Free High school,	62 50
" " the State for sheep damage,	20 00
" " the State for burial of soldier,	31 50
" " the State for tuition,	67 50
" for the Dutton school house,	25 00
" " " Chadwick Hill school house,	30 00
" from city of Belfast for A. Robbins,	9 00
" " Fairfield for Yorks,	397 36
" " Winslow for Charles Brown,	25 77
" " Albion for tuition,	7 45
" " Palermo for G. Norton and D. Boynton.	144 18
" " I. H. Reed for road machine wheels,	6 00
" " the State school fund,	967 73
" " State for bounties on porcupines,	24 25
	$16,756 76

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURES.

Paid	printing town reports,	$ 29 40
"	Cook & Hussey, attorneys, Seco and Heath case,	14 34
"	Mrs. Samuel Gerrald, travel fee, Seco fire inquest,	86
"	Mrs. Hollis Kellar, travel fee, Seco fire inquest,	86
"	Warren Philbrook, legal advice in Seekins case,	1 00
"	Llewellyn Jackson, special police,	10 00
"	casket and robe for Wilder McMitchell,	28 00
"	digging grave for Wilder McMitchell,	3 50
"	T. E. Doe, use of hall, Seco cases,	2 00
"	O. F. Sprowl, porcupine bounties,	9 75
"	O. F. Sprowl, postage and making tax deeds,	1 67
"	O. F. Sprowl, recording deeds,	2 00
"	" " " justice fees for acknowledging porcupine bounties,	2 50
"	A. N. Goodwin, cash expense for town,	6 25
"	I. H. Reed, cash expense for town,	12 05
"	A. P. Mosher " " " "	13 13
"	H. P. Reed, postage,	4 95
"	H. H. Hall, care town house,	3 00
"	J. F. Pierce, books and stationary,	9 82
"	A. M. Goddard, legal advice,	6 00
"	C. E. Carr, damage to wagon,	5 75
"	G. J. Nelson, reporting births and deaths,	6 50

Paid H. V. Stinson, reporting births and deaths,	1 25	
" D. A. Ridley, reporting births and deaths,	1 50	
" F. E. Earle, reporting births and deaths,	5 25	
" W. W. Washburn, recording vital statistics,	13 05	
" E. A. Ward, sheep damage,	12 00	
" O. F. Sprowl, abatement on tax deeds,	34 64	
" P. C. Thurston, abatement on commitment of 1903,	67 58	
" P. C. Thurston abatement on commitment of 1904,	35 46	
" P. C. Thurston, percentage balance commitment, 1903,	20 30	
" P. C. Thurston, percentage, commitment, 1904,	205 21	
		$569 57

PAUPER EXPENSES OFF FARM.

Paid Insane Hospital, support of E. Norton,	$141 67
" Martin Hamlin, nursing D. Boynton,	38 75
" John N. Hall, wood for D. Boynton,	5 00
" F. E. Hall, wood for D. Boynton,	4 00
" W. R. Ward, supplies furnished D. Boynton,	25 04
" G. F. and J. S. Rowe, supplies	

furnished D. Boynton,	$ 13 17	
Paid Dr. G. J. Nelson, medical attendance,	18 50	
" P. G. Brown, supplies for Chas. A. Brown,	13 02	
" F. L. Brown, supplies for Chas. A. Brown,	4 25	
" Geo. Crossman, supplies for Chas. A. Brown,	2 00	
" F. E. Earle, medical attendance for Chas. A. Brown,	2 50	
" supplies and medical attendance for G. Norton family,	51 97	
" casket for Jennie Ash and funeral services,	25 75	
" G. F. & J. S. Rowe, supplies for A. Robbins,	9 00	
" C. J. Lincoln, medical attendance Mrs. Mary Hallowell,	60 00	
" F. E. Earle, medical attendance Mrs. Mary Hallowell,	1 00	
" Edward Howe, board Mrs. Mary Hallowell,	32 00	
" Fairfield, Yorks,	386 86	
" Vassalboro, Yorks,	446 82	
		$1,281 30

Of this sum other towns have paid as follows:

Fairfield for Yorks,	$397 36
Winslow, Chas. Brown,	25 77
Belfast, A. Robbins,	9 00
Palermo, D. Boynton and G. Norton family,	144 18

Due from Vassalboro for Yorks,	$467 32	
		$1,043 63
Cost of poor off farm,		$237 67

POOR ON THE FARM.

Paid P. G. Brown, supplies,	$ 72 96	
" H. P. Reed, "	65 75	
" W. F. Hawes, "	48 10	
" T. S. Farrington, "	38 82	
" H. F. Merrill,	21 40	
" F. E. Moody, casket, Charles Lord,	21 50	
" M. J. Trask and wife, Supt.,	250 00	
		$518 53

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Paid I. T. Merrill,	$15 48	
" A. L. Mosher,	2 50	
" J. E. Crossman,	11 00	
		$28 98

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid C. W. Jones, Auditor, 1902 and 1903,	$ 4 00
" O. F. Sprowl, Treasurer,	25 00
" A. P. Mosher, Selectman, Assessor and Overseer Poor,	136 75

Paid I. H. Reed, Selectman, Assessor and Overseer Poor,	89 50	
" A. N. Goodwin, Selectman, Assessor, and Overseer Poor,	54 75	
" W. W. Washburn, Town Clerk,	10 00	
" G. J. Nelson, Supt. of Schools,	100 00	
" W. H. Jones, Moderator,	2 00	
" C. L. Buzzell, Truant Officer,	20 00	
H. H. Hall, services as Ballot Clerk,	1 50	
F. E. Hall, services as Ballot Clerk,	1 50	
C. I. Haskell, services as Ballot Clerk,	1 50	
Ruel T. Ellis,	1 50	
Chas. Bailey,	3 00	
T. S. Farrington,	3 00	
T. E. Doe,	3 00	
J. F. Plummer,	1 50	
J. H. Mosher,	1 50	
G. J. Nelson, Town Physician,	50 00	
W. F. Hawes, School Committee,	11 50	
H. M. Crummett, " "	15 00	
		$537 50
Paid for breaking down snow, winter 1903-4,		$2,460 29
" " labor on State road,		406 46
" " " and material on highway, summer of 1904, as follows:		
Paid for road machine,	$225 00	
J. R. B. Dinsmore,	9 25	
W. E. Morrill,	9 25	
W. E. Haskell,	4 75	
H. E. Stetson,	5 25	

S. J. Newell,	$ 7 50
Jason Snell,	50 50
Everett E. Haskell,	4 75
W. H. Merrill,	4 75
Archie Coburn,	6 75
Geo. M. Crossman,	33 50
E. T. Haskell,	4 50
E. W. Haskell,	27 75
J. N. Sprague,	3 00
Wellington York,	1 00
L. C. Morrill,	6 08
H. B. Haskell,	6 00
John Small,	51 75
Cyrenus Pullen,	13 50
R. H. Reed,	48 20
J. H. Haskell,	9 00
Mrs. E. M. Dowe,	10 12
W. M. Tobey, plank,	9 92
S. B. York,	3 00
E. A. Dudley,	16 60
I. L. Jones,	10 50
Crommett & Bradstreet, spikes,	88
Frank Young,	12 00
P. S. Worthing,	4 50
Worthing & Moody,	3 75
Silas Crommett,	5 00
I. H. Reed,	30 05
Albert Cole,	7 50
W. S. Tobey,	17 50
C. G. Dinsmore,	6 72
Lewis R. White,	11 50
Ezra Ward,	10 00
C. W. Morrill,	7 25
W. O. Jones,	21 60

H. H. Hall,	$20 25
W. A. Merrill,	9 75
Geo. Pullen,	2 25
Henry Tyler,	3 75
A. G. Malcom,	20 30
James T. Cook,	10 50
J. A. Banks,	19 75
H. P. Reed,	12 95
V. R. Neal,	6 25
D. Y. White,	5 25
P. G. Brown,	1 50
Aaron Davis,	2 10
F. C. Plummer,	3 00
Martin Webber,	3 00
Andrew Small,	3 50
Frank H. Jones,	1 50
J. W. Merrill,	6 00
Daniel L. Clark,	17 25
J. B. Clark,	5 25
Fred Gerrald,	3 00
Geo. L. Clark,	45
Geo. S. Clark,	12 50
Fred Joy,	3 00
A. P. Merrill,	9 22
J. B. Merrill,	6 93
A. D. Chadwick,	12 25
Chas. Jackson,	20 37
B. W. Clifford,	20 00
Dean Estes,	20 50
Cyrus Cunningham,	3 00
W. J. Thompson,	8 00
S. C. Starrett,	20 50
H. P. Reed, plank,	21 53
A. P. Mosher,	12 00

A. L. Mosher,	$ 9 00
Levi Hallowell,	5 50
Eben Hallowell,	2 25
Alton C. Doe,	1 25
Elon Kitchen, watering place,	3 00
W. F. Brown,	3 00
Bert Kellar,	4 25
E. and M. Farnsworth,	3 00
G. F. and J. S. Rowe, spikes,	35
A. N. Goodwin,	57 00
Oscar Hamlin,	3 00
Thomas Foster,	3 50
E. and M. Farnsworth,	7 00
C. R. Getchell,	17 00
W. H. Hunnewell,	22 10
W. E. Colley,	57 55
F. E. Hall,	9 75
Chas. Jones,	2 25
H. H. Hall,	3 00
J. R. Hall,	5 75
Frank Prescott,	1 50
Geo. Roberts & Son,	3 12
Mrs. F. D. Robbins,	1 25
Henry Lewis, plank,	5 00
Henry Kenrick,	3 00
G. F. Rowe, gravel,	1 00
Fred Wallace,	9 25
A. G. Breed, plank,	4 64
W. A. Fletcher,	7 75
J. R. Hall,	8 50
Chas. Maine,	11 08
James O. Fish,	1 75
F. O. Burgess,	1 35
F. D. Rand,	1 05

A. D. Abbott,	$ 1 50
C. F. Abbott,	1 50
E. O. Taylor,	6 55
C. L. P. Handy,	2 70
J. N. Hall,	14 78
Albert Jones,	5 25
Elwood Jones,	13 10
O. J. Crane,	27 25
J. M. Goodspeed,	12 25
Hadley Chadwick,	7 00
Chas. Freeman,	7 50
Benj. Moody,	3 00
T. S. Farrington,	14 00
J. W. Merrill,	7 00
Ira Haskell,	11 00
Geo. H. Freeman,	25 50
J. S. Fernald,	6 85
Wm. Webber,	20 75
Andrew Webber,	13 00
D. W. Whitehouse,	10 00
Melvin Wixson,	4 00
Chas. W. Randall,	8 50
M. L. Sabin,	3 50
W. F. Mills,	3 25
E. A. Dudley,	18 00
Edward Webber,	8 20
Frank Adams,	7 00
Harry O. Doe,	7 00
J. O. Bragg,	5 00
J. L. Bragg,	1 50
Reuben Page,	4 50
Nelson Page,	3 50
H. M. Crummett,	64 86
H. J. Haskell,	17 37

Ezra Ward,	$ 1 75
H. H. Hall,	75
J. E. McMitchell,	11 25
C. R. Hatch,	24 00
Robert R. Hallowell,	19 65
A. A. Malcom,	5 40
Wm. Hodgkins,	6 75
J. H. Mosher,	7 50
Edward Hallowell,	4 00
John A. Peva,	7 05
Llewellyn Jackson,	8 00
W. O. Farrington,	6 50
Elihu Hanson,	4 00
N. T. Hallowell,	2 50
R. E. Hallowell,	1 50
J. P. Ellis,	3 00
Fred Bragg,	10 00
O. M. Fernald,	6 70
Geo. A. Jackson,	19 25
Alex Jackson,	10 00
Myron Harmon,	9 40
Edward Weeks,	19 75
Riley Holt,	9 00
O. P. Holt,	1 50
Michael Thomas,	2 65
W. J. Thompson,	4 50
J. F. Plummer,	9 75
A. A. Malcom,	13 80
Wesley Merrill,	3 50
Ralph Estes,	3 00
Alvan York,	60
Wellington York,	1 20
S. B. York,	1 25
Alonzo York,	3 80

Eddie Thurston,	$ 1 75
Everett Thurston,	80
B. G. Taylor,	3 30
D. W. Whitehouse,	1 95
Myron Harmon, building culvert,	5 85
A. K. Small,	2 60
W. O. Jones,	1 75
P. C. Thurston,	2 35
Lot J. Randall & Son,	10 05
G. F. Thurston,	10 18
Albert Cole,	1 50
F. M. Morse,	2 50
Thomas Foster,	2 50
Bert Kellar,	3 50
Leon Hebert,	4 36
T. E. Doe,	5 00
Chas. Pinkham,	9 25
Chas. Jones,	11 50
Beed Foster,	2 25
Henry Randall,	5 50
Lot J. Randall & Son,	4 50
Ferdinand Mitchell,	8 20
F. S. Mitchell,	6 75
A. D. Abbott,	7 00
B. C. Wentworth,	3 50
Elmer Wentworth,	3 50
David Patterson & Son,	6 00
Fred Gerrald,	3 50
A. R. Ward,	3 75
Geo. Wentworth,	2 00
F. C. Ward,	13 50
Leander Mitchell,	11 00
J. S. Brown,	5 00
Eben Bailey,	10 25

Fred Burgess,	$ 6 35	
Frank D. Rand,	8 15	
V. Gilblair,	8 50	
David Lamere,	11 50	
Oscar Ward,	13 12	
John Goddard,	8 75	
Fillmere Ward,	5 75	
C. F. Abbott,	3 50	
Chas. Bailey,	11 25	
Henry Burgess,	2 50	
Fred Fitz Gerrald,	8 65	
Frank Hunnewell,	14 00	
A. P. Mosher,	25 00	
F. O. Bonney,	43 55	
B. G. Taylor,	8 70	
Paid for points and edge, road machine,	8 50	
		$5,198 13

GENERAL STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES.

Paid for roads and bridges and breaking down of snow,	$5,198 13
" " miscellaneous expenditures,	969 57
" " town officers,	537 50
" " poor off farm,	1,281 30
" " " on "	518 53
" " schools,	2,831 41
" " Board of Health,	28 98
" " interest,	441 60
" " State tax,	1,459 65
" " county tax,	514 79
" " tuition paid,	135 00
" " Free High school,	125 00

Paid for Dinsmore fund,	$ 9 00	
" " town office,	51 00	
" " town bonds,	1,000 00	
" " old orders,	73 11	
		$14,774 57

TOWN OFFICE.

Paid W. S. Tobey for lumber,	$ 11 50	
" Hanson, Webber & Donham for hardware,	8 50	
" O. F. Sprowl, labor,	18 00	
" Fred Bragg, "	13 00	
		$ 51 00

TUITION.

Paid Coburn Institute, tuition,	$100 00	
" Oak Grove Seminary, tuition,	35 00	
		$135 00

FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

Paid J. W. Leighton, teaching,		$125 00

SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Paid teachers and for wood and transportation,	$2,676 36	
" for repairs and supplies,	155 06	
		$2,831 41

Resources,	$16,856 76		
Expenditures,	$14,774 57		
		$2,082 19	
Unpaid orders,		581 98	
			$2,664 17
Leaving in hands of P. C. Thurston, uncollected taxes,		$2,001 93	
Cash in hands of Treasurer,		425 48	
Thomas Dinsmore, fund in trust,		91 00	
Tax deeds,		145 76	
			$2,664 17

LIABILITIES.

Unpaid orders,	$ 581 98	
Interest on town bonds,	115 50	
Due for text-books,	211 14	
Town bonds,	10,900 00	
		$11,808 52
Resources in hands of Collector,	$2,001 93	
" " " " Treasurer,	571 24	
Due from State, porcupine bounties,	14 00	
" " Vassalboro,	467 32	
		$3,054 49
Town indebtedness,		$8,754 13

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts, and find them correct, with proper vouchers on file for same.

C. W. JONES, { *Auditor of Accounts for the Town of China.*

China, Me., March 10th, 1905.

RECEIPTS OF THE TOWN FARM SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1905.

Cash on hand from last year,	$ 45	
Received for potatoes,	11 60	
" " hay,	31 57	
" " veal calves,	33 50	
" " round hog,	8 28	
" " pigs,	28 00	
" " board and medical attendance of Lake family,	52 00	
" " apples,	14 50	
" " use of hearse,	5 00	
" " butter and milk,	30 80	
" " poultry and eggs,	29 84	
Cash on hand,	3 72	
		$249 26

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for supplies,	$115 32
" " repairing shoes,	40
" " paint and wall paper,	4 82
" " plank for drag,	35
" " fertilizer,	14 50
" " seed oats,	6 00
" " use of male animals,	4 25
" " clover seed,	1 80
" " blacksmithing,	5 30
" " barrels for apples,	60
" " fence wire,	82
" " sawing lumber,	2 30
" " lining for stove,	1 50

Paid for mowing machine,	$36 00	
" " casket and robe for H. Weymouth,	21 50	
" " digging grave for Chas. Lord,	4 00	
" " filing saws,	30	
" " medicine for horse,	1 00	
" " F. E. Earle M. D., medical attendance on Albert Lake,	24 00	
" " medical attendance for Miss Hatch,	4 00	
" " planting corn,	50	
		$249 26

INVENTORY OF STOCK AND PRODUCE ON FARM.

1 horse,	$100 00
5 cows,	100 00
1 two-year-old,	20 00
2 yearlings,	20 00
1 veal calf,	5 00
3 swine,	25 00
45 hens,	23 00
8 tons hay,	65 00
2 tons straw,	15 00
40 bushels potatoes,	12 00
15 " turnips,	4 00
1 " beets,	50
6 " apples,	1 00
4 " beans,	12 00
75 pounds pork,	7 00
25 " ham,	2 50
8 bushels oats,	4 00

1 mowing machine,	$35 00	
1 horse rake,	15 00	
3 hand hoes,	75 00	
4 woodsaws and axes,	2 50	
Shovels, forks and rakes,	2 00	
2 plows,	12 00	
1 harrow,	7 00	
Hay fork and rope,	5 00	
1 express wagon,	5 00	
1 farm wagon,	10 00	
1 chain,	2 00	
2 ox-cart wheels,	6 00	
1 iron bar,	1 00	
2 harnesses,	15 00	
2 stone drills,	2 00	
2 steel scrapers,	12 00	
Lumber, (ash and basswood),	10 00	
		$558 25

REMARKS.

The care of our almshouse the past year has been again intrusted to Mr. and Mrs. Martin Trask, who we believe, have performed their duty faithfully. The total number of inmates has been six, three have died leaving the present number three. The Thomas Dinsmore "Norton Cemetery Fund" has been received by the town and a small per cent. expended, the remainder placed on interest.

Our State road work is a continuation of our last year's work, viz., one hundred rods on the north part of the Pond Road, (so-called), opened, filled with stone and covered, and thirty rods in the southern portion of the town graveled; the whole work has been inspected and accepted by the

County Commissioners. We have succeeded in finding a sale for two of our old school houses, out of the three we were instructed to sell, a third however, may if your instructions are followed—cause litigation. We close our report by thanking our townspeople for their support the past year, and any knowledge that we can impart to our successors in office, will be cheerfully given.

Respectfully submitted,

A. P. MOSHER,
I. H. REED,
A. N. GOODWIN,
Selectmen of China.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 6, 1905.

Financial Statement.

RESOURCES.

Balance of unexpended school money 1903-'04,	$ 97 20	
Town appropriation for 1904-'05,	1,656 00	
State School Fund,	967 73	
Amount received from town of Albion,	7 10	
Net resources,		$2,728 03

EXPENDITURES.

TEACHERS' BILLS.

Amt. paid teachers for summer schools,	$597 00	
" " " " fall "	727 50	
" " " " winter "	438 00	
Total for teachers' wages,		$1,762 50

TRANSPORTATION BILLS.

Pd. transportation for summer schools,	$288 00	
" " " fall "	342 50	
Pd. transporation for winter schools,	$197 00	
Total for transportation,		$827 50

FUEL BILLS.

Paid for fuel to March 6, 1905, by Superintendent's books,	$115 75	

RESUME OF EXPENDITURES.

Paid for teachers' wages,	$1,762 50	
" " transportation,	827 50	
" " fuel, as by Supt. books,	115 75	
Total school expenditures for 1904-'05,		$2,705 75
Total resources,	$2,728 03	
Total expenditures,	2,705 75	
Balance unexpended Mar. 6, 1905,		$22 28

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

RESOURCES.

Amt. rec'd from town to Mar. 6, '05,	$ 62 50	
" " " State " " " "	62 50	
" to be rec'd from State, (when schools close),	187 50	
" " " " " town, (when schools close),	187 50	
Total,		$500 00

EXPENDITURES.

CHINA VILLAGE HIGH SCHOOL.

Amt. expended for spring term, 1904,	$125 00	
Of this amount the State paid,	62 50	
" " " " town paid,	62 50	
For spring term 1904,	$125 00	
Amt. to be paid for winter term, 1905, when it closes,	$125 00	
" " be paid by the town for this term when it closes,	$62 50	
" " be received from the State for this term when it closes,	62 50	
For winter term, 1905,	$125 00	
Total for this school,		$250 00

ERSKINE ACADEMY.

Amt. to be paid to this school when the present spring term closes April 28, 1905,	$250 00	
" to be paid this school by town,	$125 00	
" to be received from the State for this school,	125 00	
Total for this school,		$250 00

TEXT-BOOK ACCOUNT.

RESOURCES.

Balance unexpended from 1903-'04,	$ 66 96	
Town appropriation for text-books for 1904-'05,	200 00	
Received from Albion for use of our text-books,	35	
Total,		$267 31

EXPENDITURES.

Mar. 26, Ginn & Co. for text-books,	$20 00	
Apr. 21, " " " " " "	85 10	
" 28, " " " " " "	37 50	
Sept. 9, American Book Co. for text-books,	23 04	
Nov. 25, Ginn & Co. for text-books,	16 00	
" 30, " " " " " "	5 00	
Dec. 3, " " " " " "	12 50	
Feb. 1, 1905, American Book Co., for text-books,	12 00	
		$211 14
To Erskine Academy for books by vote of S. S. Committee,		13 90
Total for text-books,		$225 04
Balance unexpended,		42 27
		$267 31

REPAIRS AND SUPPLY ACCOUNT.

RESOURCES.

Unexpended balance from repair account of 1903-'04,	$ 3 46	
Town appropriation for repairs for 1904-'05,	100 00	
" appropriation for school supplies for 1904-'05,	50 00	
Total,		$153 46

EXPENDITURES.

Amount expended for repairs,	$120 53	
" " " school supplies,	9 65	
Total amount expended for repairs and supplies,		$130 18
Balance unexpended on supply account,	$40 35	
" over-expended on repair "	17 07	
Balance unexpended on repair and supply account,		$23 28
Total number of scholars in town on the first day of April 1904,		348
Total amount of school money per scholar for the year 1904-'05,		$7 81

Free High School Report.

At our last annual town meeting, March 14, 1904, our town appropriated for the support of two free high schools, the sum of $250, and also instructed the Superintending School Committee that one of these schools be established at the Erskine Academy.

At the annual meeting of the Superintending School Committee, March 16, it was "voted that the free high school, for the North end of the town, be located at China village, and that the sum of $250 be expended in this school, and that the other free high school be located at the Erskine Academy, provided that satisfactory arrangements can be made with the trustees of that school and the Superintending School Committee of this town." As at that time the town was paying for tuition in secondary schools, so-called, for seven scholars, five in Coburn Classical Institute, and two in Oak Grove Seminary, this tuition amounting to about $70 per term to the town, it was decided to start the free high school at the village as soon as possible, before the spring terms should begin in the institute and seminary, in order to stop the paying of these tuition bills by the town in those institutions, and the Superintendent was authorized by the Committee to commence the village school as soon as he could make the necessary arrangements.

At an adjourned meeting of the Committee March 21, the school board voted to adopt for the Free High schools of this town, the two, four to six years graded high school courses of study, consisting of an English Scientific and College Preparatory courses as presented by the Superintendent of schools. The courses of Coburn Classical Institute, formed the basis of these two courses, a few changes being made necessary to adapt them to our circumstances, being substantially the same as those recommended by the State

Superintendent of Schools. At this adjourned meeting, it was decided best to wait till the commencement of the fall term, before starting the free high school courses at Erskine Academy, as the Committee must make the necessary arrangements with trustees of that school before the school could commence. In accordance with these instructions from the Committee, the Superintendent of Schools engaged Mr. Joseph W. Leighton of Colby College for teacher of the village school, and this school commenced March 23. April 1, the pupils were given by the superintendent, as impowered by the Committee and as required by law, final examinations in all the common school studies before being entitled to enter a secondary school of standard grade. At this examination about 22 scholars presented themselves for examination, and of this number 8 passed the examination and 11 were conditioned, or allowed to enter on the courses, but required to post up on the branches in which they failed and be re-examined at the next examination. Sixteen pupils entered the College Preparatory and three the English Scientific Courses.

This was a very successful term of school, and, at its close, Mr. Leighton was engaged for the next high school term, as well as to teach the grammar grade of town school for the year in this village. Aug. 20, the Committee met to make the necessary arrangements with the trustees of Erskine Academy, and it was "voted to give the trustees of Erskine Academy $125, one-half of the total sum appropriated by the town for the support of free high schools for the ensuing year, provided that said institution give free tuition for either 20 or 30 weeks per year, as the trustees of said institution may vote, to such pupils who are suitably qualified to enter said school; said Erskine School to adopt our two graded courses of study, and to be under the supervision of the school officers of the town of China." Sub-

sequently the superintendent was informed by the sub-principal of the school that the trustees had accepted of our offer and would give us 30 weeks of schooling per year.

The fall term of this school commenced Sept. 6, and Sept. 16, the superintendent gave the pupils of this school the same examination as was given the village school; 3 passed and 10 were conditioned. Two entered the College Preparatory and ten the English Scientific Courses. The winter term of this began Nov. 29, and the spring term Jan. 24, and is now in session, closing in May.

Your superintendent has visited and inspected each term of this school as required by law, and is satisfied that our money has been well expended in this school. Certificates have been given to all the pupils who successfully passed the high school examinations. The first year the school board seemed to be under the absolute necessity of conditioning scholars in order to start our high schools, as only 11 pupils in town passed satisfactory final examinations entitling them to enter high schools of standard grade. After this first year, we deem it unnecessary to condition any of our scholars, should our high schools continue, but that all pupils who pass be given a certificate and allowed to enter one of our high schools. We earnestly recommend to our town the continuance of these high schools, as it has a great influence on our town schools, stimulating our scholars to fit for the high school, and thus giving the poor scholar an equal chance with the rich ones. As a matter of economy to our town we would also recommend the continuance of these high schools, as we now have 18 pupils who have received their final examination certificate and are allowed to enter secondary schools somewhere in the State, and their tuition bills of $30 per year, the amount allowed by law, would amount to $440.

The school board found it impossible to have the next

term of the village high school commence until after the close of the winter term of town school at the village, and on Jan. 24, this second term commenced and is now in session and will not close till the very last of April.

Town School Report.

School Register.

Name of School.	Term.	Name of Teacher.	Enrollment.	Average Attendance.	Wages
Stanley Hill	Spring,	Grace M. Hall,	15	10	$6.50
	Fall,	Grace M. Hall,	18	16	6.75
	Winter,	Harry W. Kidder,	15	16	7.00
China Village Grammar	Spring,	Maud F. Merrithew,	37	32	7.50
	Fall,	Joseph W. Leighton,	24	19	8.00
	Winter,	Joseph W. Leighton,	23	19	8.00
China Village Primary.	Spring,	No School.	—	—	——
	Fall,	Vena D. Brown,	27	24	6.00
	Winter,	Fanny A. Dutton,	21	16	6.00
Branch Mills	Spring,	Myrtie L. Crommett,	21	15	6.50
	Fall,	Myrtie L. Crommett,	23	16	6.50
	Winter,	Myrtie L. Crommett,	18	12	7.00
Plains	Spring,	Bessie E. Jackson,	18	10	6.00
	Fall,	Bessie E. Jackson,	16	11	6.00
	Winter,	Bessie E. Jackson,	13	8	6.50
Deer Hill	Spring,	Archie M. Crommett,	15	12	6.50
	Fall,	Mrs. Nelson Brown,	16	13	6.50
	Winter,	Mrs. Nelson Brown,	12	7	6.50
Weeks' Mills	Spring,	Fanny A. Dutton,	30	25	7.50
	Fall,	Fanny A. Dutton,	21	19	8.00
	Winter,	Belle A. Bowler,	18	12	8.00
South China	Spring,	Bertha L. Webber,	17	14	6.50
	Fall,	Bertha L. Webber,	15	13	6.50
	Winter,	Bertha L. Webber,	16	11	7.00
Hanson Dist.	Spring,	Cora E. Emerson,	14	12	6.00
	Fall,	Cora E. Emerson,	12	11	6.50
	Winter,	Cora E. Emerson,	12	10	6.50
Dirigo	Spring,	Florence M. Brown,	14	11	6.00
	Fall,	Florence M. Brown,	16	14	6.00
	Winter,	Grace M. Hall,	15	12	6.50
Clark Dist.	Summ'r,	Mattie C. Jones,	10	9	6.00
	Winter,	Mattie C. Jones,	9	8	6.00

By a vote of the Committee the school year was divided into three terms; the spring or summer term, commencing the third Monday of April, and continuing nine weeks, the fall term commencing the first Monday of September and continuing ten weeks, and the winter term commencing the fourth Monday of November and continuing according to the unexpended balance of school money. Your superintendent has conformed as strictly as possible to this vote in running the schools during the past year. As the lower room in the school building at the village was occupied by the free high school for ten weeks during the spring, the school board was obliged to discontinue the primary school during the spring term and send its scholars into the grammar grade, which made that school unusually large, but it could not be avoided. As usual the school house in the Clark district was in such a poor and delapidated condition that it was unfit for a winter term, and accordingly the summer term was lengthened to eleven weeks and the fall term to fourteen weeks. We have been able to run our schools twenty-five weeks during the present school year in all our schools. In five of our schools the same teacher has been continued in the same school during the entire school year, and this number would have been still greater had it not been for unavoidable circumstances.

Our transportation bill is unusually large, but, under the circumstances, it could not be reduced. Covered vehicles were ordered by vote of the Committee in all the permanent transportation teams of the town. This appears to us a wise measure, but, with the extra transportation found necessary by two schools having been legally discontinued, it has raised our transportation bill far above the usual amount.

For the past year the schools of our town have been unusually successful.

Again, fellow citizens, accept my thanks for the many courtesies extended to me as a school officer during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

G. J. NELSON, *Superintendent of Schools.*

China, March 6, 1905.

Report of School Committee.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1905.

The Superintending School Committee submit their annual report of the past year, and a financial statement of the same.

The amount of school money received and expended is found in the Superintendent's report. We have had twenty-five weeks of school during the entire school year.

This year's bill for text-books has been about $225.

We have expended the appropriation for repairs in school building on the Plains, so-called. Everyone knows it was much needed to make it suitable for the winter term.

The Committee recommend that the town should either repair or build a new, comfortable school building in the Clark district, so-called, to accommodate the scholars in districts number 15 and 16. It surely is not suitable for another winter term.

The transportation bill has been a large one for us, but it cannot be avoided on account of so many small children.

Your Superintendent has made a report of the two

Free High schools in town.

The Committee recommend:

1st. That $1.20 per inhabitant be appropriated for support of schools for the ensuing year.

2nd. That $200 be appropriated for text-books, and $50 for supplies.

3rd. That $200 be appropriated for general repairs of school houses; more painting should be done the coming year.

4th. That $25 be appropriated for writing books.

Respectfully submitted,

W. F. HAWES,
H. M. CROMMETT,
GEORGE F. ROWE.
Superintending School Committee.

Board of Health.

Eighteenth Annual Report.

In behalf of the Board of Health, I submit its annual report.

The Board has held quarterly meetings in May, August, November and February as the law requires.

There has been reported to us two cases of scarlet fever, one from Dr. Knox in family of F. H. Jones which afterwards proved a mistaken diagnosis.

Several cases reported of measles and several of whooping cough, also one case of tuberculosis.

Respectfully,

I. T. MERRILL,

China, February 20, 1904. *Secretary.*

VITAL STATISTICS.

List of Marriages recorded in the Town of China, Maine, from March 1, 1904 to February 28, 1905.

DATE OF MARRIAGE.	PLACE OF MARRIAGE.	NAME OF GROOM.	NAME OF BRIDE.	RESIDENCE OF GROOM.	RESIDENCE OF BRIDE.
March 14, 1904,	China, Maine,	Henry Coombs,	Lidia J. Cox,	Somerville, Maine,	Palermo, Maine.
" 17, "	Palermo, "	Bateman C. Wentworth,	Vena Abra Parmenter,	China, "	" "
" 17, "	China, "	Tifton L. Foss,	Verta E. Rideout,	Winslow, "	Benton, "
" 23, "	" "	Ferdinand E. Mitchell.	Isabell E. Haskell,	China, "	China, "
April 14, "	" "	Richmond B. Brann,	Mattie M. Day,	Somerville, "	Winthrop, "
May 18, "	" "	Robert Libby Sproul,	Ethel Abbie Wallace,	Roxbury, Mass.	China, "
June 1, "	Winslow, "	Perley Albert Jackson,	Inez May Bumps,	Wiscasset, Maine,	" "
" 15, "	China, "	Perley C. Soule,	Ethel M. Gilman,	Palermo, "	Palermo, "
Sept. 8, "	" "	Perley M. Denico,	Julia Knowlton,	Benton, "	Benton, "
Oct. 8, "	" "	Alton C. Doe,	Althea McCutcheon,	China, "	Palermo, "
" 22, "	Winslow, "	George S. Clark,	Clara Hodges,	" "	Vassalboro, "
Dec. 17, "	China, "	Charles H. Leach,	Nina B. Williamson,	Lincolnville, "	Rockland, "
" 31, "	Waterville, "	Perley O. Norton,	Alberta Ethel Ackley,	China, "	Eastport, "
Feb. 4, "	China, "	Napoleon Muray,	Cloder Pooler,	" "	China, "

VITAL STATISTICS.—Continued.

List of Births recorded in the Town of China, Maine, from March 1, 1904 to February 28, 1905, of which names have been returned to the Town Clerk.

Number of Births Recorded, 29. Number of names returned, 19.

DATE OF BIRTH,	PLACE OF BIRTH.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAME OF PARENTS.	RES. OF PARENTS.
April 10, 1904,	China, Maine,	Ethel Clark,	George L. and Dazille B. Clark,	China, Maine.
May 5, "	" "	Grace Elna Farris,	Frank A. and Grace E. Farris,	" "
June 6, "	" "	Harold Melvin Wixson,	Melvin C. and Jennie L. Wixson.	" "
" 8, "	" "	Eleanor Jeanette Taylor,	Ernest O. and Susan O. Taylor,	" "
" 29, "	" "	Donald Earl Fuller,	Howard L. and Lottie J. Fuller,	" "
July, 11, "	" "	Beatrice Leigh Main,	Charles J. and Emma J. Main,	" "
" 13, "	" "	Lewis Kitchen,	Orlave L. and Grace Kitchen,	" "
" 19, "	" "	Manley Earle Reed,	Harry P. and Rose E. Reed,	" "
Aug. 3, "	" "	Kenneth Robert Cole,	Robert B. and Carrie B. Cole,	" "
" 9, "	" "	Hazel Eva Jerolman,	W. R. and Algie M. Jerolman,	" "
" 9, "	" "	Gertrude Arline Thurston,	Everett and Cora E. Thurston,	" "
Oct. 2, "	" "	Jeremiah Merithew,	Jeremiah and Maud L. Merithew,	" "
" 25, "	" "	Ralph Winslow Austin,	Harry W. and Lena E. Austin,	" "
" 27, "	" "	Mildred B. Trask,	William L. and Bertha M. Trask,	" "
" 29, "	" "	Herman Charles Masse,	Louis Z. and Edith E. Masse,	" "
Dec. 11, "	" "	Donald Woodsum Farnsworth,	E. O. and Beulah M. Farnsworth,	" "
Jan. 26, "	" "	Gladys Gilblair,	Fred and Jennie Gilblair,	" "
" 30, "	" "	Ralph Mott Haskell,	Raymond and Olive A. Haskell,	" "
Feb. 1, "	" "	Clara Etta Halloway,	Forest B. and Ida E. Halloway,	" "

VITAL STATISTICS.—Continued.

List of Deaths recorded in the Town of China, Maine, from March 1, 1904, to February 28, 1905.

DATE OF DEATH.	PLACE OF DEATH.	NAME OF DECEASED.	AGE. Years.	Months.	Days.	Single, Married or Widowed.	PLACE OF BIRTH.	PLACE OF BURIAL. CEMETERY.	TOWN;
Feb. 26, 1904,	Farmingdale, Me.,	Howard B. Webber,	78	—	—	M	China, Maine,	——— ———	China, Me.
March 1,	" China, "	Mary H. Farrington,	90	4	20	W	" "	Week's Mills,	" "
" 15,	" " "	Otis Pollard,	71	5	—	W	Winslow, Maine,	——— ———	Oakland, "
April 6,	" " "	James Lassard,	—	1	18	S	China, "	——— ———	Waterville, "
" 15,	" " "	Hattie B. Williams,	73	6	18	W	Phillips, "	South China,	China, "
" 23,	" " "	Albert A. Craig,	67	—	—	M	Windsor, "	——— ———	Augusta, "
May 4,	" " "	Elizabeth M. Wixson,	1	6	—	S	China, "	South China,	China, "
" 7,	" " "	Hiram Weymouth,	91	2	3	M	Whitefield, "	Branch Mills,	" "
" 10,	" " "	Lydia F. Clark,	72	9	1	W	China, "	South China,	" "
" 29,	" " "	Elizabeth Bean,	70	3	21	M	Palermo, "	Greeley's Corner,	Palermo, "
June 24,	" " "	Alsida Thurston,	58	1	14	M	China, "	Breed,	China, "
July 13,	" Belfast, "	Ellen C. M. Wadsworth,	35	9	14	M	" "	Lake-View,	" "
" 23,	" Winslow, "	Edwin Jones,	76	3	17	W	" "	Dirigo,	" "
Aug. 2,	" China, "	Alton W. Seco,	—	4	7	S	" "	Private,	" "
" 4,	" " "	James Marr,	81	3	—	M	Palermo, "	Deer Hill.	" "
" 6,	" " "	Charles A. Lord,	82	—	—	W	Vassalboro, "	——— ———	Vassalboro, "
" 12,	" " "	Donald Earle Fuller,	—	1	16	S	China, "	Chadwick Hill,	China, "
" 31,	" " "	Wilder McMitchell,	77	8	—	M	Vassalboro, "	" "	" "
Sept. 3,	" " "	Gertrude A. Thurston,	—	—	25	S	China, "	——— ———	" "
" 13,	" " "	Mary A. York,	54	6	9	M	Windsor, "	Yorktown,	" "
" 16,	" " "	Edward E. Randall,	42	—	25	M	China, "	China Village,	" "
" 17,	" Albion, "	Chester H. Danforth,	64	4	10	M	Albion, "	" "	" "

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Sept. 22, 1904,	China, Me.,	Jesse Martin Worthing,	72	5	21	W	Palermo,	Maine,	Branch Mills,	China, Maine.
" 22, "	" "	Susan A. Baker,	74	7	23	W	China	"	China Village,	" "
" 30, "	" "	Amos Jones,	75	2	26	M	Brooks,	"	Branch Mills,	" "
Oct. 5, "	" "	Margaret P. Tolman,	80	—	—	W	Windsor,	"	" "	" "
" 13, "	" "	Martha M. Merithew,	71	5	8	W	Lunenberg,	Vt.,	China Village,	" "
Nov. 13, "	Palermo, "	Isadore Worthing,	69	9	12	W	Albion,	Maine,	Branch Mills,	" "
" 14, "	China, "	Infant Daughter of Joseph A. & Luella B. Banks,	—	—	25	S	China,	"	Weeks' Mills,	" "
" 20, "	" "	Manley Earle Reed,	—	4	1	S	"	"	" "	" "
" 29, "	" "	Augusta Hall,	74	3	—	W	Windsor,	"	Lake View,	" "
Dec. 16, "	" "	Mary McMitchell,	84	—	8	W	England,		Chadwick Hill,	" "
" 21, "	Palermo, "	Aaron Phillips,	87	—	—	W	———	———	Branch Mills,	" "
" 28, "	China, "	James S. Morrill,	86	9	6	W	Waldo,	Maine,	——— ———	Albion, "
Jan. 1, 1905,	" "	John A. Peva,	67	7	4	W	Windsor,	"	Weeks' Mills,	China, "
" 2, "	" "	Mary R. Dowe,	68	—	—	M	Palermo,	"	Branch Mills,	" "
" 5, "	" "	Charles E. Dowe,	72	—	—	W	China,	"	" "	" "
" 6, "	" "	John E. Thurston,	64	3	21	W	Windsor,	"	Breed,	" "
" 23, "	" "	Jennie Nash,	34	11	1	S	Calais,	"	Yorktown,	" "
Feb. 15, "	" "	George F. Clark,	75	9	8	M	China,	"	Lake View,	" "
" 19, "	" "	Julia F. Ward,	68	3	17	S	"	"	China Village,	" "
" 26, "	" "	Rufus B. Gardner,	70	11	—	W	Albion,	"	" "	" "
" 26, "	" "	Amanda W. Moody,	56	3	14	M	Prospect,	"	——— ———	Winterport, "
" 27, "	" "	Martha J. Keller,	63	—	14	M	Palermo,	"	——— ———	China, "

W. W. WASHBURN, Town Clerk.

Notice.

To P. C. Thurston, a constable in the town of China, in the County of Kennebec and State of Maine.

Greeting:—In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town of China, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town House in said town on Monday, the twentieth day of March, A. D. 1905, at nine o'clock in the forenoon then and there to act on the following articles to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To choose Selectmen for the ensuing year.

Art. 4. To choose Assessors for the ensuing year.

Art. 5. To choose Overseers of the Poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 6. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To choose a Collector and one or more Constables for the ensuing year.

Art. 8. To choose a member of the School Committee, term of three years, and one to fill the unexpired term of G. F. Rowe.

Art. 9. To see if the town will vote to elect one or more Road Commissioners for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To choose a Road Commissioner or Comissioners if the town so vote and establish pay for same.

Art. 11. To choose an Auditor for the ensuing year.

Art. 12. To choose all other necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 13. To see what method the town will take in relation to the collection of taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 14. To see if the town will vote to have the commitment of 1905 collected on or before June 1, 1906.

Art. 15. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repair of roads and bridges and breaking down of snow.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of poor.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools.

Art. 18. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for maintaining a free High School.

Art. 19. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of text books.

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the general repair of school buildings.

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of writing books and other school supplies.

Art. 22. To see what action the town will take in purchasing land about ⅛ to ¼ of an acre around Dirigo school building so-called and fencing the same.

Art. 23. To see if the town will vote to pay C. L. Buzzell five dollars for damage to crops by school children ; if not this amount how much.

Art. 24. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for miscellanous expenses.

Art. 25. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the liquidation of town bonds.

Art. 26. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the payment of interest on town bonds.

Art. 27. To see if the town will vote to give A. J. Billings Post and J. P. Jones Post twelve dollars fifty cents each to assist in defraying Memorial expenses.

Art. 28. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed four hundred dollars to be expended on State road, one-half of said sum to be refunded by the State.

Art. 29. To see what instruction the town will vote to give the Selectmen in relation to the collection of tax deeds.

Art. 30 To see if the town will vote to accept the list of Jurors as revised by the Municipal Officers.

Art. 31 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to build a school house in Clark district, so-called.

Hereof fail not and have you there this warrant with your doings thereon.

The Selectmen hereby give notice that they will be in session at the town house in said town at eight o'clock on the morning of said meeting for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands, at China, this ninth day of March, A. D. 1905.

A. P. MOSHER,
I. H. REED,
A. N. GOODWIN,
} *Selectmen of China.*

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Assessors' Report.

VALUATION OF 1905.

Real Estate, Resident.....	$385,210 00	
" Non-resident....	35,490 00	
		$420,700 00
Personal Estate, Resident....	$98,845 00	
" Non-resident	3,755 00	
		102,600 00
Total valuation....		$523,300 00

Number of polls, 376.

Rate of taxation, .021.

I. H. REED,
A. N. GOODWIN,
F. O. BONNEY,
} Assessors of Town of China.

Selectmen's Report.

RESOURCES.

Tax deeds in hands of Treasurer.....	145 76
Uncollected taxes (com. of 1904).....	2,001 93
Cash in hands of Treasurer Mar. 2, 1905.....	425 48
"Dinsmore Fund" (in trust).....	91 00
Town tax and overlayings, 1905.	9,983 40
State tax	1,326 89
County tax.....	807 01
Refunded dog licenses	68 19
Balance State Road money (1903).....	100 00
" " " (1905)	200 00
Cash from Vass. for Yorks (1904.....	467 32
" Augusta for Holt et. als.....	97 44
" Winslow for Bennett.....	39 50
Received from State for burial of soldier's widow	22 00
Received from State Porcupine bounty (1904)	14 00
" Fred Roberts for Road machine wheels.....	4 00
Received from State High School Fund.....	250 00
" " School Fund.....	915 06
Received tuition from Albion.....	8 14
" " Palermo	63 95
Received cash from Vassalboro(Yorks 1905)...	323 89
" " Fairfield (Yorks 1905)...	328 10
Received from Geo. H. Hunt Agt. Penobscot Tribe of Indians.....	7 00

Received from C. F. Johnson Atty. costs of Col. of taxes	27 77
Supplementary taxes	18 60
Total Resources	$17,736 43

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURES.

Town Appropriation		$700 00
Coll. From State for burial of Soldier's widow	$22 00	
Coll. From Agt. Penobscot Indians	7 00	
		$729 00
Paid C. L. Buzzell, land damage	$6 00	
" Printing Town Reports	33 60	
" Abatements to P. C. Thurston coll.) 1904)	75 74	
" P C Thurston bal. percentage (1904 com.)	40 04	
" Redington and Co, chairs for Town office	7 80	
" C. F. Johnson, Atty. com. for coll. taxes	56 64	
" C. R. Getchell, Treas. Postage and recording deeds	13 96	
" Thos. Norton, for Police service	8 00	
" I. H. Reed, making valuation book	12 00	
" Loring, Short and Harmon legal blanks bill of 1903	1 23	

"	James T. Cook, digging grave for Rosanna Tibbetts	2 00
"	Geo. W. Weeks for attending funeral of Rosanna Tibbetts	2 00
"	W. E. Haskell, lumber for Town office	3 00
"	F. E. Moody casket and box for Rosanna Tibbetts	18 00
"	E. L. Worthey for transportation of Penobscot Indians to Reservation	7 00
"	H. H. Hall care of Town House	3 00
"	H. P. Reed, postage and stationary	7 75
"	H. K. Stinson M. D., reporting births and deaths	3 00
"	H. K. Stinson, M. D., examination of insanity case (Rosanna Tibbetts)	3 00
"	W. W. Washburn, recording vital statistics	10 05
"	W. W. Washburn, dog license book	1 00
"	G. J. Nelson M. D., reporting births and deaths	3 75
"	F. E. Earle, M. D., reporting births and deaths	3 00
	F. E. Earle, M. D., examination of Insanity case (Rosanna Tibbetts)	3 00
"	Cook and Small Atty's services coll. taxes	11 34

I. H. Reed, cash expense.....	16 80	
A. N. Goodwin, cash expense...	12 80	
F. O. Bonney, cash expense...	9 60	
H. L. Kelley & Co., blank books etc.....	16 15	
" C. R. Getchell percentage for coll.....	157 20	
		$548 45
Unexpended bal. carried to Town Officers Account		$180 55

PAUPER ACCOUNT.

Appropriation.....	$600 00	
Collected from Augusta for Holt et. als.....	97 44	
Collected from Winslow for Bennett.....	39 50	
Collected from Fairfield for York	328 10	
Collected from Vassalboro for York.....	323 89	
		$1,388 93
Paid W. R. Ward for Andrew Leighton.....	$ 11 75	
G. F. Rowe for supplies furnished J. L. Holt and family.....	81 69	
W. R. Ward, supplies for Holt family	5 00	
J. R. Hall, wood for J. A. Bennett.....	4 00	
G. F. Rowe, supplies for J. A. Bennett.....	24 84	

John Austin, rent for J. A. Bennett	2 50	
A. N. Goodwin, meat for J. A. Bennett	1 16	
R. L. Farris, milk for J. A. Bennett	1 00	
W. R. Ward, flannel for J. A. Bennett	1 00	
Insane Hospital for E. Norton	148 64	
E. Thurston, digging grave for Mary York	2 00	
Mrs. A. H. Cole, nursing Mrs. Hustus	10 00	
E. L. Worthing, supplies, Willard Hustus	23 00	
W. R. Ward for Yorks	276 03	
G. F. Rowe, supplies for Yorks	157 08	
G. J. Nelson, M. D., town physician	50 00	
A. C. Doe, board of nurse for Mrs. Hustus	2 50	
F. A. Doe, supplies for Yorks	58 89	
E. L. Worthing, supplies for Yorks	84 99	
Crommett and Bradstreet, for Yorks	60 00	
W. R. Ward, supplies for Andrew Robbins	8 99	
G. F. Rowe, supplies for Andrew Robbins	6 00	
		$1,021 06

Due from Belfast for A. Robbins	$14 99	
Due from Augusta for Holt family	5 00	
		19 99
Cost of poor off farm to town		$212 14

POOR ON FARM.

Paid Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Taylor Supt. Almshouse.....	$ 250 00	
H. W. Austin, grain and flour	80 34	
W. F. Hawes, supplies.....	87 71	
H. P. Reed, "	30 91	
Boynton and Merrill, supplies.....	62 07	
Crommett and Bradstreet, supplies,.....	4 71	
T. S. Farrington.....	11 56	
Andrew Small for pair steers	50 00	
E. S. Kitchin, plow points...	1 15	
W. B. Arnold and Co., sink	3 56	
F. E. Moody, casket and box	18 00	
W. R. Ward, collar for horse	2 50	
Cost of poor on farm...		$602 51
Total cost of Poor.....		$814 65

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Paid I. T. Merrill.....	18 10
J. E. Crosman.....	7 00
J. H. Mosher.....	5 25
Mrs. A. H. Cole, nursing Daisy Hustus.	40 00

A. C. Doe for board of Mrs. A. H. Cole.		10 00
Althea T. Doe, care of Maggie Hustus..		8 50
Addie Snell, " " ..		5 00
E. L. Worthing B. of H., supplies Hustus family.....		5 75
Althea T. Doe, pillows and blankets Hustus family.....		4 10
		$103 70

G. A. R.

Appropriation.....		$25 00
Paid J. H. Estes Q. M., A. J. Billings Post G. A. R...	12 50	
B. H. Moody Q. M., J. P. Jones Post G. A. R.....	12 50	
		$25 00

TOWN OFFICERS.

Unexpended from Missc. Acct.		$180 55
Paid W. H. Jones, moderator....	$2 00	
C. W. Jones, auditor.....	2 00	
W. W. Washburn, town clerk	10 00	
I. H. Reed, selectman.....	146 50	
A. N. Goodwin, selectman..	57 25	
F. O. Bonney, selectman....	64 40	
G. J. Nelson, Supt. Schools	100 00	
A. G. Malcolm, S. S. Com...	8 00	
F. M. Patterson, S. S. Com.	6 75	
H. M. Crommett, S. S. Com.	8 25	
G. F. Rowe, S. S. Com., (04)	10 00	
		415 15
Overdrawn on Missc. Acct.		$234 60

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Appropriation 1905	$4,500 00	
" State Road.....	400 00	
		$4,900 00
Paid for breaking down snow 1904-05.....	$3,647 45	
State Road work.....	410 70	
For labor and material on highways summer 1905 as follows:		
L. E. Jackson.....	7 75	
Silas Crummett.....	10 75	
J. M. Small.....	7 25	
J. W. Snell.....	7 75	
J. R. B. Dinsmore.....	10 00	
C. G. Dinsmore.....	4 00	
Fred Merrill.....	3 00	
C. R. Getchell.....	40 00	
S. H. Grindle.....	8 25	
Alonzo York.....	2 40	
P. G. Brown.....	12 94	
Wilbert Barlow.....	2 25	
H. P. Reed, plank and spikes	47 50	
T. S. Farrington.....	3 00	
G. W. Reynolds, labor and plank	33 60	
D. Y. White.....	4 45	
E. A. Dudley.....	9 75	
E. T. Weeks.....	3 50	
H. M. Crommett.....	5 50	
P. W. Dodge.....	8 50	
C. T. Beale.....	1 25	
V. R. Neal.....	2 50	

R. H. Reed	5 90
J. H. Mosher	3 50
O. M. Fernald	3 50
Levi Hallowell and Son	3 50
Eben Hallowell	3 50
Freeman Mosher	75
C. R. Hatch	10 60
Silas Bowden	4 50
J. T. Cook	2 55
F. O. Bonney	21 00
A. M. McLaughlin	3 65
F. S. Mitchell, rails and stakes	21 75
A. N. Goodwin	24 00
J. W. Morrill	1 50
F. H. Jones	1 50
Andrew Small	2 50
Martin Webber	4 75
Maurice Jackson	3 00
S. J. Newell	8 00
Geo. M. Crossman	2 18
I. H. Reed	12 48
Henry Tyler	2 70
W. E. Haskell	1 35
L. B. Robinson	1 35
H. F. Chadwick	6 45
J. M. Goodspeed	2 25
W. F. Hawes, freight	35
O. J. Crane	1 75
J. L. Turner	2 15
G. H. Freeman	6 03
C. I. Haskell	7 00
J. S. Fernald	1 25

E. W. Jones	14 92	
A. D. Chadwick	3 00	
David LaMere	9 95	
T. E. Doe, land damage and rocks	25 00	
Willis Philbrick	5 75	
Ed. Lewis	11 25	
W. E. Colley	41 50	
W S. Hunnewell and son	50 37	
G. F. Thurston, Jr.	6 30	
C. J. Main	8 00	
W. A. Cram	4 50	
H. H. Stetson	1 72	
A. S. Bean	75	
F. E. Hall	8 63	
Arnold Small	60	
C. H. Freeman	4 59	
Geo. F. Thurston	1 00	
Thos. Norton	9 69	
W. M. Tobey	3 38	
E. S. Kitchin	13 50	
R. R. Parmenter	3 90	
Wellington York	90	
E. and M. Farnsworth	1 75	
J. N. Hall	2 63	
C. L. P. Handy	1 13	
A. N. Thurston	3 75	
A. Barlow	2 25	
W. O. Marden	2 25	
Hadley Kellar	2 25	
Henry Talbot	75	
Everett Thurston	2 25	
C. S. Berry, land damage, (1903)	5 00	
		$1,131 39
Total road work		$4,778 34
Leaving unexpended		121 16
		$4,90

SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Town Appropriation, 1905.....	$1380 00	
State School Fund, 1905.....	915 06	
Coll. Tuition, from Albion.....	8 14	
" " " Palermo.....	62 70	
		$2365 90
Paid for teachers.....	1,530 00	
" transportation of scholars	666 00	
" fuel for schools.....	108 56	
" Albion for tuition.....	18 32	
		$2,322 88
Overdrawn previous years.....		334 66
		$2,657 54
Overdrawn Feb. 20, 1906		291 64

SCHOOL REPAIRS ACCOUNT.

Appropriation.....		$ 50 00
Paid for schoolhouse repairs.....	114 21	
Overexpended previous years....	95 35	
		209 56
Overdrawn Feb. 20, 1906		$159 56

SCHOOL SUPPLY ACCOUNT.

Apppopriation.....	$25 00
Paid for supplies.....	39 87
Overdrawn Feb. 20, 1906	$. 14 87

TEXT BOOK ACCOUNT.

Appropriation.....	$200 00	
Coll. from Palermo.....	1 25	
Undrawn from previous years....	7 32	
		$208 57

Paid Ginn & Co.....	219 70	
" American Book Co.....	49 44	
" Ed. E. Babb & Co.....	37 65	
Smith & Sale.....	9 00	
" Erskine Academy.....	13 90	
" G. J. Nelson express on text books.....	4 90	
		$334 59
Overdrawn Feb. 20, 1906		126 02

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Appropriation.....	250 00	
State Fund.....	250 00	
		$500 00
Paid Erskine Academy.....	$250 00	
" J. W. Leighton.....	250 00	
		$500 00

TOWN BONDS ACCOUNT.

Appropriation.....	$1,000 00	
Unexpended from 1904.....	500 00	
		$1,500 00
Paid for Bond No. 41.....	$500 00	
" " " " 28.....	500 00	
" " " " 29.....	500 00	
		$1,500 00

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Appropriation.....	380 00	
Unexpended from previous years..	93 48	
		$473 48
Paid for coupons.....		416 50
Undrawn Feb. 20, 1906		$56 98

DINSMORE NORTON CEMETERY FUND.

Deposit in Bank.....	$91 00	
Interest to Jan. 15, 1906.....	1 59	
		$92 59
Paid E. W. Haskell.....		1 50
Leaving at interest.....		$91 09

GENERAL STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES.

Paid for Miscellaneous expenditures.....	$ 548 45
Pauper acct. off farm.....	1,021 06
Pauper acct. on farm.....	602 51
Board of Health.....	103 70
G. A. R..	25 00
Town officers.....	415 15
Highways and bridges.....	4,778 84
Schools.....	2,322 88
School repairs.....	114 21
School supplies.....	39 87
Text books.....	334 59
High schools.....	500 00
Town bonds.....	1,500 00
Interest.....	416 50
From Dinsmore Fund.....	1 50
State tax.....	1,326 89
County tax.....	807 01
Old orders.....	581 98
	$15,440 14

Resources	$17,736 43	
Expenditures.....	15,440 14	
		$2,296 29
Unpaid order.....		2 00
		$2,298 29

Leaving in hands of C. R. Getchell Col., uncollected taxes....	$1,592 93	
Cash in hands of Treasurer.....	500 00	
Uncollected taxes in hands of Cook and Small Atty's.....	43 69	
Tax deeds.....	70 58	
Dinsmore fund (in Trust).....	91 09	
		$2,298 29

LIABILITIES.

Unpaid order.....	2 00	
Interest due on town bonds to Jan. 1, 1906.....	63 00	
Town bonds.....	9,400 00	
		$9,465 00

AVAILABLE RESOURCES.

Uncollected taxes.....	$1,636 62	
In hands of Treasurer.....	570 58	
Due from Belfast..	14 99	
Due from Augusta..... ..	5 00	
		2,227 19
Town indebtedness Feb. 20, '06..		$7,237 81

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts and found them correct, with proper vonchers on file for same.

C. W. JONES,
Auditor of Accounts of the Town of China.

February 21st, 1906.

RECEIPTS OF THE TOWN FARM SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 20, 1906.

Cash on hand from last year	$ 65
" for work	50
Received for hay sold	25 00
" sweet corn	39 57
" beef cow	20 00
" veal calves	40 97
" eggs sold	19 12
" milk "	3 00
" butter sold	1 20
" round hog	20 25
" old junk	2 80
" use of hearse	5 00
" pigs sold	8 00
	$186 06

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for supplies	$47 60
" blacksmithing	3 32
" fertilizer	16 80
" dry goods	9 07
" steers	30 00
" seeds and planting corn	3 70
" horse sled	10 00
" hardware, stove and freight	10 02
" butchering	2 00
" horse blanket and whip	3 90
" threshing	4 00
" use of male animals	1 75
" grain	1 05

" J. W. Morrill, driving hearse	1 00
" boots and cobbling	2 60
" seed oats	15 60
" pigs	4 00
Cash on hand Feb. 20, 1906	19 65
	$186 06

INVENTORY OF STOCK AND PRODUCE ON FARM.

1 horse	$100 00
5 cows	90 00
1 pair three-year-old steers	60 00
1 " two-year-old "	35 00
1 " yearling " "	35 00
2 shoats	6 00
35 hens	14 00
20 tons hay	140 00
2 1-2 tons oat straw	12 00
25 bushels potatoes	10 00
3 " apples	2 50
7 " beans	17 50
220 pounds pork	19 80
40 " ham	4 80
50 bushels oats	25 00
200 pounds fertilizer	2 80
1 mowing machine	30 00
1 horse rake	15 00
1 " sled	10 00
1 wheelbarrow	2 50
3 wood saws, 2 axes	2 00
Shovels, forks and rakes	2 50
1 cultivator	5 00

1 plow	3 00
1 harrow	7 00
Hay fork and rope	4 00
Express wagon	5 00
Farm wagon	10 00
1 chain	1 00
1 iron bar	1 00
2 harnesses	15 00
20 pounds lard	2 00
Baskets	1 25
	$681 65

INVENTORY OF ROAD MACHINERY.

1 road machine	$200 00
2 steel scrapers	10 00
1 plow	10 00
2 stone drills	2 00
5 plow points	3 25
	$225 25

REMARKS.

The care of our Almshouse the past year has been entrusted to Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur H. Taylor, who have performed their duty to our entire satisfaction. Believing it better to consume our hay on the farm, we have purchased four steers, expecting to realize some gain by them, also hoping somewhat to increase the fertility of the farm. The present number of inmates are four among whom considerable sickness has prevailed the past year, it having been necessary to have two surgical operations performed. Some minor improvements have been made inside the house, viz., one room replastered, floors relaid in two, the pantry re-

modeled and a new iron sink installed.

Our "State Road" work has been a continuation of previous year's work, opening filling with stone, recovering and building substantial stone culverts, fifty-five rods in the north part of the town and eighty rods in the south part of town have been thus improved, the same has been accepted and our remittance from the State for past payment of same received. Through the untiring efforts of our Collector, (to whom much credit is due) every order has been paid (save one for two dollars) which we have been unable to obtain. Thanking our townspeople for their loyal support the past year we close this our Annual Report.

Respectfully submitted,

I. H. Reed,
A. N. Goodwin,
F. O. Bonney.
} Selectmen of China.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1906.

Financial Statement

RESOURCES.

Balance of unexpended school money 1904-05	$ 22 28
Town appropriation for 1905-06.....	1,380 00
State school fund for 1905-06.....	915 06
Received from the town of Albion.....	8 14
Received from the town of Palermo.....	62 70
Net resources.....	$2,388 18

EXPENDITURES.

TEACHERS' BILLS.

Amount paid teachers for spring schools.....	$705 00
Amount paid teachers for fall schools.....	825 00
Total for teachers' wages.....	$1,530 00

TRANSPORTATION BILLS.

Paid for trnnsportation for spring schools.....	$310 00
Paid for transportation for fall schools.....	356 00
Total for transportation.....	$666 00

TUITION BILLS.

Paid town of Albion for tuition of Holt children	$18 32

FUEL BILLS

Paid for fuel as by Superintendent's books	$57 81

RESUME OF EXPENDITURES.

Paid for teachers' wages	$1,530 00
Paid for transportation	666 00
Paid for tuition	18 32
Paid for fuel as by Supt. books	57 81
Total school expenditures for 1905-06	$2,272 13
Total resources	$2,388 18
Total expenditures	2,272 13
Balance unepended Feb. 21, 1906	$116 05

TEXT BOOK ACCOUNT.

RESOURCES.

Balance unexpended from 1904-05	$ 42 27
Town appropriation for text books	200 00
Received from Palermo for use of our text books	1 25
Total	$243 52

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Smith & Sale	$ 9 00
Ginn & Company	43 60
American Book Co	14 40
Edward E. Babb & Co	37 65
	$104 65
Express on text books	4 90
Total	$109 55
Balance unexpended	133 97
	$243 52

REPAIRS ACCOUNT.

RESOURCES.

Town appropriation for repairs for 1905-06		$50 00

EXPENDITURES.

Balance over-expended for repairs from 1904-05	$ 17 07	
Amount expended for repairs for 1905-06	84 00	
Total		$101 07
Balance over-expended		$51 07

SUPPLY ACCOUNT.

RESOURCES.

Balance unexpended for supplies from 1904-05	$40 35
Town appropriation for supplies from 1905-06	25 00
Total	$65 35

EXPENDITURES.

Amount expended for supplies for 1905-06	$46 38
Balance unexpended on supply account	18 97
	$65 35
Total number of scholars in town on the first day of April 1905	3 34
Total amount of school money per scholar for the year 1905-06	$6 93

FREE HIGH SCHOOL REPORT.

At our last annual town meeting, our town appropriated for the support of our two free high schools, the sum of $250; and these schools were located the same as during

the year of 1904-05, one school being located at China village and the other, for the south part of the town, at the Erskine Academy. By reason of the school building at China village being occupied for common school purposes, it was found impossible to commence the village high school before Nov. 27th. At the commencement of the winter term of this high school (Nov. 27th), seven scholars, in addition to those entering the year before, successfully passed their entrance examination and were given their entrance certificates.

During this term seven pursued the College Preparatory Course and nine the English Scientific. This first, or winter term, continued ten weeks and closed Feb. 2nd, 1906.

This was a very successful term of school and was under the charge of Mr. Joseph W. Leighton, late of Colby College, the same teacher who successfully taught this school the year before. The spring term of this school will commence Feb. 20th and continue ten weeks.

The fall term of Erskine Academy commenced Sept. 12th, and continued ten weeks closing Nov. 17th. At the entrance examination of this school, thirteen successfully passed the examination and were given their entrance certificates. The winter term of this school commenced Dec. 5th, and continued ten weeks. The next term of this school, the spring term, will commence Feb. 27, 1906. All the students entering this school selected and pursued the Enlish Scientific Course. This school has fully sustained, we think, its previous reputation as an institution for secondary instruction. For these two free high schools $250 of town money has been expended, another $250 having been received from the state, making the total amount received by these two schools $500 of which an equal amount of $250 has been expended in each school.

These schools have been visited and inspected by your superintendent as required by law. We earnestly recommend the continuance of these high schools as the settled policy of the town, both as a matter of economy to our town, and, from the great benefit and influence to be received by our common town schools, by so doing, as we notice that it stimulates our schoolars to fit for the high school, thus practically grading our schools, and giving the poorer scholar an equal chance with the well to do one.

TOWN SCHOOL REPORT.

As the town at its last annual March meeting failed to appropriate the usual amount of money for common schools, the Superintending School Committee at their annual meeting, March 22nd, found it nessary to divided the school year into only two terms, instead of three which had been the usual custom.

We herewith submit for the year 1905-6 our annual school register:

School Register.

Name of School.	Term.	Name of Teacher.	Enrollment.	Average attendance.	Wages per week.
Stanley Hill	Spring,	Vena N. Browne,	11	10	$6.50
	Fall,	Grace M. Jones,	16	15	7.00
China Village Primary	Spring,	Fanny A. Dutton,	26	24	6.00
	Fall,	Ethel M. Fish,	24	19	6.00
China Village Grammar	Spring,	Grace M. Hall,	19	16	7.00
	Fall,	Joseph W. Leighton,	18	15	8.00
Branch, Mills	Spring,	Bertha L. Webber,	17	14	6.50
	Fall,	Bertha L. Webber,	28	21	7.50
Plains	Spring,	Annie M. Barton,	17	13	6.00
	Fall,	Annie M. Barton,	13	10	6.00
Deer Hill	Spring,	Mrs. Nelson Brown,	18	14	6.50
	Fall,	Mrs. Nelson Brown,	14	12	6.50
Weeks' Mills	Spring,	Mary E. Hall,	28	24	7.50
	Fall,	Mary E. Hall,	18	14	8.00
South China	Spring,	Mattie C. Jones,	17	15	6.00
	Fall,	Mattie C. Jones,	18	14	7.00
Hanson District	Spring,	Bessie E Jackson,	13	12	6.00
	Fall,	Bessie E. Jackson,	11	10	6.00
Dirigo	Spring,	Florence M. Browne,	16	14	6.50
	Fall,	Florence M. Browne,	17	15	7.00
Clark District	Spring,	Cora E Emerson,	9	8	6.00
	Fall,	Cora E Emerson,	9	6	6.00

By a vote of the Committee the Superintendent was authorized to run the spring terms ten weeks, closing June 30th. Upon figuring up, after the close of the spring terms it was found that we had sufficient school money to run the fall terms only eleven weeks, thus making only twenty-one weeks for the entire school year. By the request of the school board of Palermo, thirteen scholars from Palermo were schooled at Branch Mills during the eleven weeks of the fall term, this number of scholars, with the three Palermo scholars attending the Deer Hill school for the entire school year, has increased, as you will see by our financial report, the amount of our school resources $62.70, thus giving us a larger unexpended balance at the close of the year, than we figured upon at the time we figured up the unexpended balance at the close of the spring term. We could have safely run our schools one week longer, had we but known at that time that we should have reeeived this school money from the town of Palermo.

In eight of our schools the same teacher has been continued in the same school during the entire school year.

Our transportation bills are altogether too large, being more than one-fourth of onr entire school funds; but, under the present school law, how can this be remedied?

The school in the Clark district, so called, has failed to maintain an average attendance for the past school year of eight pupils, and is therefore suspended under the present school law. For the past year the schools of the town, on the whole, have been very successful.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We would earnestly recommend that our town appropriate a larger yearly sum for the repair of our school buildings. Our last year's appropriation of $50 for the

repair of schoolhouses is only $5 per house barely enough to keep them well cleansed. Your Committee, as you will see by our financial report, have been obliged considerably to over run this small appropriation.

New seats are needed for the Hanson schoolhouse and a few more for the primary school room at the village. During the past school year dry goods boxes were obliged to be used as a substitute for seats in this primary school. Nearly all our schools need better blackboards and a few dollars expended yearly for this purpose would greatly improve our schools.

There is an urgent need of a change in some of our text books, especially in geographies and grammars. Mental arithmetic should be re-introduced and regularly taught in all our schools. When and by whom it was abolished from our schools I do not know.

Please again accept my thanks for the kindness and courtesy shown me the past year as a school officer of the town of China.

Respectfully submitted,

G. J. NELSON, Superintendent of Schools.

China, Feb. 20th, 1906.

Report of School Committee.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 1, 1906.

The Superintending School Committee submit their annual report of the past year.

The amount of school money received and expended will be found in the Superintendent's report. We have had twenty-one weeks of school during the entire school year.

We have overdrawn the appropriation for repairs by having to purchase a lot and move the school buildings at Dirigo.

The Committee recommend:

1st. That $1.20 per inhabitant be appropriated for support of schools for the ensuing year.

2nd. That $100 be appropriated for text books and $25 for supplies.

3rd. That $200 be appropriated for general repairs on schoolhouses. We surely ought to paint a part of them the coming year as some of them need it very much.

4th. That $25 be appropriated for writing books.

5th. That the town procure seats for the Hanson schoolhouse and also some for the village schoolhouse. And that new blackboards be procured for a number of the schoolhouses.

Respectfully submitted,

H. M. CROMMETT,
F. M. PATTERSON,
A. G. MALCOM,
} Superindenting School Committee.

Vital Statistics.

List of Marriages recorded in the Town of China, Maine, from March 1, 1905 to Febuary 20, 1906.

DATE OF MARRIAGE.	PLACE OF MARRIAGE.		NAME OF GROOM.	NAME OF BRIDE.	RESIDENCE OF GROOM.		RESIDENCE OF BRIDE.	
March 18, 1905,	China,	Me,	Wilbert A. Barlow,	Eva Thurston,	China,	Me.,	China,	Me.
" 22, "	Manchester,	"	Jason Warren Snell,	Ina M. Pelton,	"	"	Augusta,	"
April, 12, "	China,	"	William B. Bailey,	Mabelle N. Ward,	"	"	China,	"
" 25, "	"	"	Hiempsal Whitehouse,	Emma F. Plaisted,	"	"	"	"
May, 9, "	"	"	Fred Gleason,	L. Maude Haskell,	"	"	"	"
June 9, "	Boston,	Mass,	Fred A. Pelton.	Dora M. Philbrick,	"	"	"	"
" 28, "	China,	Me,	Willard A. Plummer,	Effie M. Lamson,	Windsor,	"	Vassalboro,	"
July 5, "	Montville,	"	William P. Jackson,	Mary P. Marr,	Montville,	"	China,	"
" 21, "	China,	"	Charles A. Norton,	Jennie L. Brett,	China,	"	Augusta,	"
Aug. 21, "	"	"	Geo. F. Thurston, Jr ,	Grace M. Hall,	"	"	China,	"
" 25, "	Vassalboro,	"	Guy Hall,	Edith Maude Farwell,	"	"	Vassalboro,	"
Sept. 27, "	China,	"	Herbert Geo. Hatch,	Annie F Woodsum,	Saugus,	Mass.,	China,	"
Oct. 2, "	"	"	John J. Phillips,	Pearl E Brown,	Albion,	Me.,	Albion,	"
" 4, "	"	"	Clinton J. Bragan,	Leora F. Colman,	Portland,	"	China,	"
" 11, "	"	"	Roy Leland Clifford,	Mary Wilson Sproul,	China,	"	"	"
Nov. 25, "	"	"	Delbert Turner,	Jennie F Shorey,	Washington	"	"	"
Dec. 23, "	"	"	Cony Norman Webber,	Pearle A. Starrett,	China,	"	"	"
Jan 16, 1906	"	"	Leon O. Sturtevant,	Hattie C. Dixon,	"	"	"	"
", 17, "	Portland,	"	William J. Thompson,	Jennie Sargent Carll,	"	"	Portland,	"
Feb. 3, "	China,	"	Robert A. Fletcher,	Sadie E. Wiggin,	"	"	China,	"

Vital Statistics Continued

List of Births recorded in the Town of China, Maine, from March 1, 1905 to February 20, 1906 of which names have been returned to the Town Clerk.

Number of Births recorded, 24. **Number of names returned 19.**

DATE OF BIRTH.	PLACE OF BIRTH	NAME OF CHILD.	NAME OF PARENTS.	RESIDENCE OF PARENTS
March 13, 1905,	China, Maine,	Arthur Albert Buzzell,	Horace A. and Iva P. Buzzell,	China, Maine.
" 29, "	" "	Wilber Everett Jackson,	Perley A. and Inez M. Jackson,	" "
April 17, "	" "	Ethel May York,	Alonzo B. and Lydia A. York,	" "
" 21, "	" "	Burnerd Luther Small,	Arnold K. and Emma E. Small,	" "
May 18, "	" "	LaForest Goodwin Hatch,	C. R. and Alice E. Hatch,	" "
June 15, "	" "	John S. B. Hawes,	Wilson F. and Hattie E. Hawes,	" "
" 23, "	" "	Clyde Merton Mitchell,	F. E. and Isabell E Mitchell,	" "
July 9, "	" "	Wyman William Webber,	William R. and Ella E. Webber,	" "
" 11, "	" "	Lincoln Snow Reed,	Welcome and Mattie Reed,	" "
" 15, "	" "	Davida Mary Clark,	George S. and Clara Clark,	" "
Aug. 11, "	" "	Dora Belle Kitchen,	Orlave L. and Grace Kitchen,	" "
" 15, "	" "	Laura Belle Rowe,	James A. and Alberta Rowe,	" "
Sept. 12, "	" "	Louise Mae Randall,	Henry N. and Carrie E. Randall,	" "
" 22, "	" "	Willis Edward Thurston,	Everett and Cora E. Thurston,	" "
Oct. 14, "	Winslow, Me.	Beulah Lillian Ellis,	Walter H. and Carline M. Ellis,	" "
" 18, "	China, Maine.	Grace Edna Wood,	Frank E. and Ellen C. Wood,	" "
Nov. 13, "	" "	Earl Pooler,	Peter and Emma Pooler,	" "
Dec. 16, "	" "	Dorothy Farnsworth.	E. O. and Beulah M. Farnsworth	" "
" 23, "	" "	Cecil Augustus Wentworth,	Elmer E. and Lizzie M. Wentworth,	" "

Vital Statistics Continued.

List of Deaths recorded in the Town of China, Maine, from March 1, 1905, to February 20, 1906.

DATE OF DEATH.	PLACE OF DEATH.	NAME OF DECEASED.	AGE. Years.	Months.	Days.	Single, Married or Widowed.	PLACE OF BIRTH.	CEMETERY.	TOWN.
Feb. 2, 1905,	Dover, Maine,	Harry G. Bartlett,	13	7	5	S	China, Maine,	China, Village,	China, Maine.
March 7, 1905,	China, "	Mary T. Hallowell,	38	—	—	D	Quebec, Canada,	Town Farm,	" "
" 12, "	" "	Ella Frances Moore,	54	8	—	M	Unity, Maine,	————	Unity, "
April 7, "	Portland, Maine.	Albert R. Ward,	64	—	—	M	China, "	China Village,	" "
" 21, "	China "	Ethel Maud Lewis,	16	—	25	S	" "	" "	China, "
May 30, "	Augusta "	Melinda C. Brickett,	73	3	6	M	" "	South China,	" "
June 3, "	Palermo "	Loraine Worthing,	78	4	10	W	Windsor "	————	" "
" 4, "	China "	Catherine Clough,	73	5	4	M	Scotland,	Branch Mills,	" "
" 26, "	" "	Gratia M. Parmenter,	7	11	7	S	China, Maine,	" "	" "
July 1, "	Augusta, "	Hattie D. Parmenter,	32	7	5	M	" "	Weeks Mills,	" "
" 18, "	China "	Eugene B. McLaughlin	67	7	20	M	" "	South China,	" "
" 24, "	" "	Ella A. Dowe,	53	11	20	S	" "	Branch Mills,	" "
Aug. 3, "	" "	Jane McLaughlin,	85	6	-	M	Windsor "	Weeks Mills,	" "
" 22, "	" "	Benjamin H. Moody,	68	1	18	M	" "	Lake View,	" "
Oct. 1, "	" "	Samantha J. Hilt,	73	9	14	W	Palermo "	Chadwick Hill,	" "
" 3, "	" "	Willis E. Thurston,	—	—	12	S	China, Maine,	Private,	" "
" 8, "	" "	Harriet L. Hoxie,	68	3	5	S	Albion, "	Dirigo,	" "
" 16, "	" "	Rosanna Tibbetts,	82	11	13	W	China, "	Deer Hill,	" "
Nov. 6, "	" "	Isaac Clough,	91	6	—	W	Brunswick, Me.	Branch Mills,	" "
" 12, "	" "	Maggie Huston,	19	2		S	Freedom, "	" "	" "
Jan. 18, 1906,	" "	Lydia Ann Frye,	65	—	11	S	China, "	Dirigo,	" "
" 21, "	" "	Emma J. Fletcher,	55	6	26	M	Unity, "	China Village,	" "
" 28, "	Albion, "	Nathan Davis,	80	1	9	M	Albion, "	Lake View,	" "

W. W. WASHBURN, Town Clerk.

Notice.

To CHAS. R. GETCHELL, a constable in the Town of China, in the County of Kennebec and State of Maine.

GREETING:—In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of China, qualified by law to vote in town affairs to assemble at the Town House in said town on Monday the fifth day of March, A. D. 1906, at nine o'clock in the forenoon then and there to act on the following articles, to wit.

ART. 1. To choose a Moderator, to preside at said meeting:

ART. 2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

ART. 3. To choose Selectmen for the ensuing year.

ART. 4. To choose Assessors for the ensuing year.

ART. 5. To choose Overseers of poor for the ensuing year

ART. 6. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

ART. 7. To choose a member of the School Committee, for a term of three years.

ART. 8. To see if the town will vote to elect one or more Road Commissioners for the ensuing year.

ART. 9. To choose a Road Commissioner or Commissioners for the ensuing year if the town so votes and establish pay for same.

ART. 10. To choose an Auditor for the ensuing year.

ART. 11. To choose a Collector and one or more constables for the ensuing year.

ART. 12. To choose all other necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

ART. 13 To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repair of roads and bridges and the breaking down of snow.

ART. 14. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of poor.

ART. 15. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools.

ART. 16. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for maintaining a free High School.

ART. 17. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of text books.

ART. 18. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the general repair of school buildings.

ART. 19. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of writing books and other necessary school supplies.

ART. 20. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for miscellaneous expenses.

ART. 21 To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the liquidation of town bonds.

ART. 22. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the payment of interest on town bonds.

ART. 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed four hundred dollars, to be expended on State road, one-half of said sum to be refunded by the State.

ART. 24. To see if the town will vote to give A. J. Billings and J. P. Jones Posts, G. A. R., twelve and 50-100 dollars to help defray Memorial Day expense.

ART. 25. To see if the town will vote to sell C. G. Dinsmore a strip or parcel of land twenty feet wide and about five rods long (or the entire width) of the schoolhouse lot at Branch Mills on which to erect "horse sheds" for the use of church going people who attend the Union Church at Branch Mills.

ART. 26. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to build a highway, beginning at a point on the highway leading from Weeks' Mills to Greeley's Corner in Palermo, near the foot of the winding hill, so-called, proceeding in a westerly course on the south of the present way to some point near the residence of Augustus Malcolm, about one-fourth of a mile as laid out by the Selectmen March 1st, 1906. The present way from the point of beginning to the road leading from Deer Hill to be discontinued.

ART. 27. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Superintending School Committee of said town to expend one-half of the money raised for Free High Schools, if any, in former Dist. No. 13 at (Weeks' Mills) in said town.

ART. 28. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Assessors to require every person owning taxable property in this town to give in the same under oath.

ART. 29. To see what method the town will take in relation to the collection of taxes for the ensuing year.

ART. 30. To see if the town will vote to have the commitment of 1906 collected on or before June 1, 1907.

Hereof fail not and have you there this warrant with your doings thereon.

The Selectmen hereby give notice that they will be in session at the Town House in said town at eight o'clock on the morning of said meeting for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands at China this twenty-first day of February, A. D., 1906.

I. H. REED,
A. N. GOODWIN,
F. O. BONNEY,
Selectmen of China.

W. W. WASHBURN.

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Assessors's Report.

VALUATION 1906.

Real Eestate Resident.....	$381,175 00	
" Non-resident...	40,010 00	
		$421,185 00
Personal Estate Resident....	$970,90 00	
" Non-resident	2,675 00	
		99,765 00
Total valuation...		$520,950 00

Number of Polls 381.

Rate of taxation .0185

I. H. REED,
A. N. GOODWIN,
F. O. BONNEY.
} Assessors of Town of China

Selectmen's Report.

RESOURCES.

Tax deeds in hands of Treas. Mar. 6th, '06 . . .	$ 70 58
Taxes in hands of Cook & Small Attys.	43 69
Dinsmore Fund (in trust)	91 09
Cash	500 00
Uncollected taxes	1,592 93
Cash from Belfast for Robbins 1905	14 99
" Augusta for Holt 1905	5 00
Town tax and overlayings (1906)	8,646 68
State tax	1,326 89
County tax	807 01
Refunded dog licenses	84 70
Cash from Agt. Penobscot Ind	13 00
Balance State Road money (1905)	5 35
Received from State for damage done by dogs	40 00
Cash from Fairfield for Yorks	434 49
" Washington for Mrs. Fred Pelton	46 48
" Bowdoinham for W. H. White	24 39
" J. H. Mosher for removing wall . . .	12 00
" Oakland for Knox and Trask	44 30
" Vassalboro for Yorks	405 30

Received cash from Albion tuition.....	28 35
" Palermo	11 70
Received interest on Dinsmore fund.....	5 79
Received cash for schoolhouse sold.....	25 00
Supplementary tax.....	23 13
	$14,302 84

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURES

Town Appropriation.....	700 00	
Received from State for damage to domestic animals by dogs..	40 00	
Received from Agt. Penobscot Indians.....	13 00	
		$753 00
Paid G. W. Singer printing town reports.....	27 00	
G. W. Singer dog license blanks.....	1 00	
Crommett and Bradstreet for footwear for Penobscot Indians.....	6 60	
I. H. Reed cash advanced for transportation of same to Reservation.....	6 40	
C. R. Getchell Abatements (com '05).....	47 76	
C. R. Getchell balance percentage (com '05).....	24 83	
F. O. Bonney sheep killed by dogs.....	5 00	

A. Langlois heifers killed by dogs	30 00	
H. H. Hall care of Town House	3 00	
H. K. Stinson M. D. reporting births and deaths	3 25	
F. E. Earle M. D. reporting births and deaths	6 50	
I. H. Reed making valuation record book	15 00	
W. W. Washburn recording vital statistics	15 15	
G. J. Nelson M. D. reporting births and deaths	5 25	
W. W. Washburn for recording deeds	1 04	
H. P. Reed postage and stationery	8 21	
I. H. Reed cash expense	14 10	
A. N. Goodwin cash expense	8 05	
F. O. Bonney cash expense	8 50	
H. L. Kelley for blank books	12 50	
C. R. Getchell percentage for collecting	121 88	
		$371 02
Unexpended balance carried to Town Officers account		381 98
		$753 00

TOWN OFFICERS.

Unexpended from Miscellaneous Account.....		$381 98
Paid W. H. Jones, Moderator....	$ 4 00	
W. W. Washburn, town clerk	10 00	
I. H. Reed, Selectman...	147 50	
A. N. Goodwin, " ...	76 75	
F. O. Bonney, " ...	76 90	
G. J. Nelson, Superintendent of schools.....	100 00	
I. L. Jones, S. S. Com.	7 00	
F. M. Patterson, "	6 00	
A. G. Malcolm, "	8 00	
A. A. Malcolm, Truant officer	15 00	
O. F. Sproul, Ballot clerk	1 50	
E. L. Worthing, "	1 50	
T. E. Doe, Election clerk	1 50	
W. T. Hawes, "	1 50	
		$457 15
Overdrawn on Miscellaneous account		$75 17

G. A. R.

Town Appropriation.....		$25 00
Paid J. P. Jones' Post, G. A. R...	$12 50	
A. J. Billings', Post, G. A. R.	12 50	
		$25 00

PAUPER ACCOUNT.

Town Appropriation.....		$500 00
Coll. from Fairfield for Yorks'....	$434 49	
" Washington for Mrs. Pelton.....	46 48	
Coll. from Bowdoinham for W. H. White.....	24 39	
Coll. from Oakland for D. Knox et als.....	44 30	
Coll. from Vassalboro for Yorks..	405 30	
	———	$954 96
Paid W. R. Ward, for Alonzo York.....	$352 73	
G. F. Rowe, for Alonzo York	4 25	
G. F. Rowe, for Wellington York.....	171 24	
E. M. Moody, for Wellington York.....	2 56	
E. M. Moody, for S. B. York	~~58 61~~ 4,50	
E. L. Worthing for S. B. York.....	~~58 61~~ 87,21	
E. L. Worthing for A. A. York.....	14 02	
Crommett and Bradstreet for Geo. York.....	12 00	
G. F. Rowe, for Geo. York..	5 00	
G. F. Rowe for Frank York..	8 00	
F. A. Doe for Frank York...	11 50	
F. A. Doe for S. B. York...	31 12	
E. M. Moody for Geo. York.	4 05	
A. N. Thurston fuel for W. York.....	14 00	
Crommett & Bradstreet for S. B. York	58.61	

G. F. Rowe for Dighton Knox	39 30
" for W. H. White	17 34
" for C. H. Leighton	4 25
G. F. Rowe for Andrew Robbins	43 08
W. R. Ward for W. H. White	7 05
E. M. Moody for Dighton Knox	2 00
E. M. Moody for Andrew Robbins	3 00
E. L. Worthing for Andrew Robbins	1 00
F. A. Doe for Philip Childs	5 00
Insane Hospital for E. Norton	52 06
F. E. Moody for Mrs. Fred Pelton	34 15
Mrs. W. E. Pope for Mrs. Fred Pelton	2 15
F. E. Earle, M. D. for Mrs. Pelton	3 00
I H. Reed for Mrs. Fred Pelton	3 00
P. G. Brown for Mrs. Fred Pelton	3 18
H. P. Reed for Caleb Trask	3 00
P. N. Savage for Vera Poliette	4 50
F. E. Mitchell, fuel for James Burgess	18 75
W. R. Ward, supplies for James Burgess	33 60

O. S. Bartlett, care for James Burgess.....	17 [illegible]0	
G. J. Nelson, M. D. for James Burgess.....		
H. K. Stinson, M. D. for Town Physician.....	50 00	
H. K. Stinson, M. D., supplies for Yorks.....	5 75	
Theo Smiley, care James Burgess.....	7 00	
G. J. Nelson, M. D. for att. on James Burgess.....	15 50	
		$1,155 75
Cost of poor to town off farm. ..		200 79

POOR ON FARM.

Paid Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Taylor, Supt. Almshouse.....	$275 00	
H. W. Austin, flour and feed	57 27	
F. E. Moody, casket and box for Reed Morrill.....	18 00	
Whitehouse Bros., sawing lumber	7 21	
E. L. Worthing, supplies....	1 78	
W. F. Hawes, "	118 13	
H. P. Reed, "	45 88	
G. F. Rowe, fence wire.....	5 44	
Total cost of Poor on farm		$528 71
Total cost ot Poor.....		729 50
Overdrawn on Poor account		$229 50

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Paid I. T. Merrill, services		$10 50
J. H. Mosher, "		7 00
J. E. Crossman, "		7 00
H. K. Stinson for medical attendance on Daisy Hustus, bill of 1906		25 00
		$49 50

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Town appropriation	$2,500 00	
Town appropriation, State Road	400 00	
Unexpended from last year	121 16	
Coll. from J. H. Mosher, (removing wall)	12 00	
		$3,033 16
Paid for breaking down snow 1905 and 1906	1,500 31	
For State Road work	424 09	
Alex Bassett labor	7 00	
J. B. Morrill "	5 00	
A. P. Morrill "	3 50	
C. B. Clark "	8 75	
Philander Freeman, labor	3 00	
D. L. Clark labor	8 75	
Fred FitzGerald "	6 00	
C. T. Beale "	4 55	
J. T. Cook "	1 95	
D. Y. White "	14 70	
G. A. Jackson "	1 00	
Harris Hallowell "	4 90	

O. J. Crane, labor.....	10 20
J. M. Goodspeed "	11 90
T. S. Farrington, labor....	16 40
C. H. Freeman, "	14 00
J. W. Morrill "	22 50
E. C. Bailey "	8 93
O. L. Kitchin "	2 85
C. A. Pinkham "	5 25
S. Mayhew "	2 25
L. B. Mitchell "	2 90
C. W. Jones "	9 00
F. A. Prescott "	2 25
F. E. Hall "	27 75
O. S. Bartlett "	21 38
W. E. Colley "	79 00
J. W. Brown & son labor and plank.....	32 60
W. S. Hunnewell, labor and plank.....	26 25
W. C. Washburn, labor....	9 00
E. E. Thurston "	4 25
C. F. Abbott "	10 38
W. H. Farris, labor and gravel.....	20 08
F. O. Burgess, labor.....	4 13
F. D. Rand "	4 76
J. A. Barlow "	11 25
E. S. Kitchin, watering place	7 50
J. A. Banks, damage to plow	4 00
O. U. G. Ward, labor....	5 85
Wm. Bailey "	1 50
A. N. Thurston "	14 00

Chas. Bailey "	7 75
E. O. Taylor "	10 65
C. R. Getchell "	25 25
Samuel Grindle "	13 60
Everett Thurston, labor.....	16 35
W. F. Washburn "	3 00
G. E. Roberts & Son "	3 23
W. F. Morse labor	17 45
G. F. Thurston "	15 00
P. C. Thurston "	2 00
F. D. Shorey "	6 00
A. P. Mosher "	3 75
J. H Mosher "	3 75
F. C. Mosher "	4 25
C E Jackson "	19 95
E. A. Dudley "	24 55
H. P. Reed "	64 94
C. R. Hatch "	42 45
H. M. Crommett "	45 85
P. W. Dodge "	27 10
B. W. Clfford "	21 90
Dean Estes "	3 00
B. M. Freeman "	2 63
Alex. Jackson "	6 25
C. W. Hammon "	3 50
W. B. Sherman "	60
L. W. Jones "	
H. W. Austin "	1 75
J. A. Jones "	13 60
J. S. Burns "	3 45
Geo. Harrington "	3 00
F. O. Bonney "	45 50

H. J. Haskell "	7 00
E. W. Haskell "	18 50
E. T. Haskell "	7 00
Ezra Ward "	19 90
J. Raymond Hall, labor.....	7 60
John Berry, labor	4 80
C. O. Dowe, "	10 50
Frank Wood "	6 75
Roy Haskell "	1 50
H. H. Hall "	15 00
S. J. Newell "	16 25
R. A. Reed "	31 50
John Small "	50 50
W. A. Crane "	25 00
W. M. Tobey "	24 50
G. W. Reynolds "	37 55
J. R. B. Dinsmore, labor,....	10 50
E. L. Worthing, labor	9 00
J. W. Snell "	27 35
Silas Crommett "	18 00
W. O. Marden "	6 60
C. F. Chandler "	3 00
I. H. Reed "	6 80
J. O. Fish "	1 50
W. F. Ward "	6 75
C. J. Maine "	6 25
Wm. Cole "	2 70
G. F. Thurston, Jr., labor ...	9 50
T. M. Foster, labor	13 50
Willis Philbrick, labor.....	35
J. N. Hall, labor	10 32
Samuel Gerald, labor.....	3 75

F. P. McLaughlin, labor	....	3 00
E. T. Shaw "	....	2 45
A. N. Goodwin "	....	74 00
D. S. Patterson "	....	8 00
F. C. Ward "	....	1 00
Abbie Ward, watering trough and labor	.....	3 80
F. S. Mitchell, labor	....	16 00
Geo. Wentworth "	....	8 00
E. E. Wentworth "	....	6 50
A. D. Abbott "	....	6 25
F. E. Mitchell "	....	6 50
H. N. Randall "	....	8 00
L. Z. Masse, plank	.....	21 16
A. G. Malcolm, labor	....	12 50
J. E. McMitchell "	....	1 50
J. P. Ellis and son "	....	3 00
H. T. Merrill "	....	11 25
A. D. Chadwick "	....	10 25
P. G. Brown "	....	39 92
J. F. Plummer "	....	2 30
L. A. Adams "	....	7 90
Silas Bowden "	....	3 00
A. R. Burrill "	....	40 00
Levi Hallowell & son "	....	4 50
D. H. Burrill "	....	50
Eben Hallowell "	....	2 75
E. B. Taylor "	....	2 55
G. F. Weeks "	....	12 25
S. N. Ward "	....	35
R. E. Holt "	....	90
A. L. Mosher "	....	11 90

W. S. Reed	"	3 15	
J. B. Clark	"	2 75	
W. R. Ward, plow points and spikes		8 50	
G. F. Rowe, gravel.....		7 11	
Edward Thurston,	labor....	10 75	
L. E. Jackson	"	16 45	
G. M. Crosman	"	3 35	
I. L. Jones	"	17 85	
G. H. Freeman	"	7 75	
F. H. Jones	"	4 50	
Chas. Foye	"	4 50	
Andrew Small	"	3 75	
Martin and C. M. Webber, labor		16 00	
J. L. Turner,	labor....	20 00	
W. F. Mill	"	1 50	
E. C. Webber	"	1 50	
J. L. Bragg	"	1 20	
J. O. Bragg	"	1 90	
E. E. Haskell	"	9 75	
L. B. Robinson	"	24 23	
Henry Tyler	"	2 25	
F. A. Young	"	2 50	
C. F. Besse	"	15 75	
			$3862 25

SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Town Appropriation.....	$1380 00
Collected from Albion for tuition...	27 30
" Palermo for tuition..	10 65

Due from State (School fund)	832 70	
		$2250 65
Paid for teachers.....	$1471 50	
for transportation	745 00	
for fuel	117 96	
		$2334 46
Overdrawn	83 81	
Overdrawn previous years....	291 64	
Overdrawn Feb. 21st, 1907.....		$375 45

SCHOOL REPAIR ACCOUNT.

Town Appropriation.....		$ 150 00
Paid for repairs.....	$ 80 48	
Overexpended previous years	159 56	
Due Babb and Co. for desks. ...	60 33	
		$ 300 41
Overexpended Feb. 21, '07		$150 41

SCHOOL SUPPLY ACCOUNT.

Town Appropriation.....		$ 25 00
Paid for supplies.....	$22 93	
Overdrawn previous years.....	14 87	
Due Babb & Co. for supplies.....	5 50	
		43 30
Overdrawn Feb. 21, 1907.....		18 30

TEXT BOOK ACCOUNT.

Town Appropriation.....	$150 00	
Collected from Albion.....	1 05	
" Palermo.....	1 05	
		$152 10
Paid express on text books.....	$5 57	
Due Ginn & Co. for text books....	136 21	

Due American book Co. for text books	38 00	
Due Babb & Co. for text books	50 56	
		$230 34
Overdrawn previous years		126 02
Overdrawn Feb. 21, 1907		204 26

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Town Appropriation	$250 00	
Due from State	250 00	
		$500 00
Paid Erskine Academy	$250 00	
J. W. Leighton	125 00	
L. S. Gilpatrick	125 00	
		$500 00

TOWN BONDS ACCOUNT.

Town Appropriation	$2,000 00	
Voted to apply $500 surplus for purchase of Bonds	500 00	
		$2,500 00
Paid for bond No. 42	500 00	
Paid for bond No. 46	500 00	
		$1,000 00
Unexpended		$1,500 00

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Town Appropriation	$325 00	
Unexpended balance	56 98	
		$381 98
Paid for coupons		232 75
Unexpended		$149 23

DINSMORE FUND (IN TRUST.)

Deposit in bank	$91 00	
Interest to Jan. 15, 1907	4 79	
		$95 79
Interest withdrawn		3 00
On deposit Feb. 21, 1907		92 79

GENERAL STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES.

Paid for Miscellaneous expenditures	$371 02
Pauper account off farm	1,155 75
Pauper account on farm	528 71
Highways and Bridges	3,862 25
Schools	2,334 46
School repairs	80 48
School supplies	22 93
High Schools	500 00
Text books	5 57
Town Bonds	1,000 00
Interest	232 75
G. A. R. Posts	25 00
Town officers	457 15
Board of Health	49 50
County tax	807 01
State tax	168 70
From Dinsmore fund	1 50
Old orders	2 00
	$11,604 78
Resources	14,302 84
Expenditures	11,604 78
	$2,698 06

LIABILITIES.

Interest due on Town Bonds.....	$ 141 75	
Town Bonds.....	8,400 00	
State tax....	1,158 19	
Due Ginn & Co., for books.....	136 21	
Due Babb & Co., supplies and books	116 39	
Due American Book Co. for books	38 00	
		$9,990 54

AVAILABLE RESOURCES.

Uncollected taxes.....	$2,460 09	
In hands of Treasurer.....	145 18	
Due from State School fund	832 70	
Due from State for High schools..	250 00	
Due from State for State Road...	212 05	
Due from Belfast for Robbins....	46 08	
Due from Unity for Childs.....	5 00	
Due from West Gardiner for Leighton.....	4 25	
		$3,955 35
Town indebtedness Feb. 21, 1907		$6,035 19

LEAVING IN HANDS OF C. R. GETCHELL, COLLECTOR AND TREASURER.

Tax deeds.....	$ 64 64
Dinsmore fund (in trust).....	92 79
Uncollected taxes.....	2,460 09
With Cook & Small Attys. for collection.....	80 54
	$2,698 06

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts and found them correct, with proper vouchers on file for same.

C. W. JONES,

Auditor of Accounts of the Town of China.

February 27th, 1907.

RECEIPTS OF THE TOWN FARM SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 20, 1907.

Cash on hand Feb. 20, 1906	$ 19 65
Received for eggs sold	6 48
" hay sold	10 50
" veal calves	74 05
" butter	47 53
" old mowing machine	2 50
" steers sold	130 00
" sweet corn	47 73
" round hog	38 40
" beef sold	2 97
	$379 81

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for blacksmithing	$11 73
" repairing harness and shoes	3 50
" filing saws	50
" lumber and sawing	1 69
" dry goods and clothing	12 85
" supplies	73 51
Paid difference between cows	3 00
Seeds and sweet corn	3 05
Cart, stove back, axe handles	3 65
Iron pipe	3 25
Hired help and planting corn	9 98
Threshing grain	3 25
Nurse for Vera Poilette	5 00
Floating horse teeth	1 00
For pigs	11 00
Cows and calves	96 00

Fence wire	4 50
Grain	74 79
Clergyman attending funeral	2 00
Undertaker for Reed Morrill	3 00
Horse blanket	1 63
Fertilizer	23 72
For use male animals	6 75
Car fare for Mary Morrill	1 00
Cash on hand Feb. 21, 1907	19 26
	$379 81

INVENTORY OF STOCK AND PRODUCE ON FARM
Feb. 21, 1907.

1 horse	$100 00
8 cows	185 00
2 shoats	15 00
25 hens	10 00
10 tons hay	100 00
1 1-2 tons straw	7 00
20 bushels potatoes	10 00
4 barrels apples	6 00
5 bushels beans	12 00
200 pounds pork	20 00
40 pounds ham	5 00
40 bushels oats	20 00
9 pounds butter	1 80
1 mowing machine	30 00
1 horse rake	15 00
1 horse sled	10 00
1 wheelbarrow	2 50
Shovel forks and rakes	2 50
1 cultivator	5 00

1 plow	3 00
1 harrow	7 00
1 hay fork and rope	4 00
1 express wagon	5 00
1 farm wagon and rack	20 00
1 chain	1 00
1 iron bar	1 00
2 harnesses	15 00
Baskets	1 25
3 flour barrels	75
2 iron wedges	50
	$633 30

INVENTORY OF ROAD MACHINERY.

1 Road Machine	175 00
2 steel scrapers	10 00
2 stone drills	1 00
	$186 00

The care of our Almshouse has been under the supervision of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur H. Taylor another year to the perfect satisfaction of the board of Selectmen. One death has occurred during the year and two have left, leaving two inmates at the present time.

Our State Road work has been continued on the same lines as on previous years sixty-rods in the north part of the town turnpiked, graded and graveled, with one substantial culvert. Eighty-three rods in the south part of the town opened and filled with stone, the same has been accepted by the County Commissioners.

Respectfully submitted.

I. H. REED,
A. N. GOODWIN,
F. O. BONNEY.
} Selectmen of China.

Report of School Committe.

To the Citizens of China:

We again submit our annual report for the year ending Feb. 15, 1907.

We have endeavored to perform the duties assigned us to the best of our ability. No doubt mistakes have been made, but with your cooperation, whieh we feel sure you are willing to give, and is necessary that we may achieve the best result, we feel confident that success will crown our efforts in the future.

We have installed new seats in the Hanson schoolhouse: also some in the village schoolhouse.

Three new blackboards have been put in. One in the Plains schoolhouse, two in the schoolhouse at Week's Mills. Week's Mills schoolhouse has been newly painted.

Hanson district having failed to maintain the average attendance required by law, we recommend that a school be maintained in said district the ensuing year.

We recommend the following appropriations for 1907.

Public schools	$2,000 00
High school	250 00
Text books	200 00
Supplies	25 00
Repairs	200 00

Respectfully submitted

F. M. PATTERSON,
A. S. MALCOLM,
J. L. JONES.
} Superintending School Committee.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1907.

Financial Statement.

RESOURCES.

Balance of unexpended school money from 1905 to 1906	$ 116 05
Town appropriation for 1906 and 1907	1.380 00
State School Fund for 1906 and 1907	832 70
Received from the town of Albion	27 30
Received from the town of Palermo	10 65
Total Resources	$2,366 70

EXPENDITURES.

TEACHER'S WAGES.

Amount paid teachers for spring schools	$636 00
Amount paid teachers for Fall schools	835 50
Total amount paid for teacher's wages	$1,471 50

TRANSPORTATION BILLS.

Paid for transportation for spring schools	$324 00
Paid for transportation for fall schools	421 00
Total amount paid for transportation	$745 00

FUEL BILLS.

Paid for fuel as by the Superintendent's books.	$119 46

RESUME OF EXPENDITURES.

Paid for teachers' wages	$1.471 50
" transportation	745 00
" fuel as by the Superintendent's books	119 46
Total school expenditures for 1906 and 1907	$2,335 96

Total resources for the year 1906 and 1907...	$2,366 70
Total expenditures for the year 1906 and 1907	2,335 96
Balance unexpended.....	$ $30 74

TEXT BOOK ACCOUNT.

RESOURCES.

Balance unexpended from 1005 and 1606....	$133 97
Town Appropriation for text books, 1906 and 1907.....	150 00
Received from Ginn & Co. for old books.....	6 94
" Albion for use of our books....	1 05
" Palermo for use of our books...	1 05
Total Resources	$293 01

EXPENDITURES.

Paid E. E. Babb & Co., (for the High Schools)	$ 50 56
Ginn & Co.....	143 15
American Book Co.....	38 00
	$231 71
Paid express and postage on books.....	5 57
Total.....	$237 28
Balance unexpended.....	55 73
	$293 01

REPAIRS ACCOUNT.

RESOURCES.

Town Appropriation.....	$150 00

EXPENDITURES.

Balance over-expended from 1005 and 1906..	$ 51 07
Amount expended for repairs for 1906 and 1907.....	196 86
Total.....	$247 93
Balance over-expended.....	$97 93

SUPPLY ACCOUNT.

RESOURCES.

Balance unexpended from 1905 and 1906.....	$18 97
Town appropriation for 1906 and 1007.....	25 00
Total.....	$43 97

EXPENDITURES.

Amount expended for school supplies in 1906 and 1907..	$23 98
Balance unexpended.....	19 99
Total number of scholars in town on the first day of April 1906.....	301
Total amount of school money per scholar for the year 1906 and. 1907.	$7 73

FREE HIGH SCHOOL REPORT.

The Superintending School Committee at a special meeting held August 18, voted to divide the amount appropriated by the town for the support of free high schools in the same manner as during the two preceding years, viz: one-half of the appropriation to be expended in the Erskine Academy and the other half to be used for a free high school at China village, thus making with the money given by the state $250 for each school. The Erskine Academy has had, as usual, three terms of school during the past year, a winter, spring and fall term.

This school has been under nearly the same board of instruction as during the last year, the acting principal being Mr. Guy Hall, with his wife, Mrs. Edith Hall, instaed of Miss Irish of last year, as assistant.

All the scholars in this school have pursued the English Scientific course, as adopted by our school board March 21, 1904. This school has fully sustained, we think, its

previous reputation as an institution for secondary instruction.

In the village free high school the winter and spring terms of 1906 were under the instruction of Mr. Joseph W. Leighton of Colby College. Mr. Leighton fully sustained, during these two terms, his previous reputation as a teacher. For the fall term of 1906 Mr. Leighton having accepted a more lucrative situation as a teacher at Bar Harbor, we were obliged to secure a new teacher for the present winter term of this school. For this term Mr. Leon S. Gilpatrick also of Colby College, was employed. As an instructor Mr. Gilpatrick has endeavored, we think, faithfully and conscientiously to discharge his duties.

In this school nine scholars have pursued the College Preparatory and eleven the English Scientific Course. During the past year fourteen scholars have boen examined for admission to those free high schools, of which number five have passed the examination and nine have been conditioned in some of their studies. We cannot impress too strongly upon the minds of parents as well as pupils the necessity of a thorough knowledge of the common school branches before seeking admission to the high school; for unless pupils have a thorough and accurate knowledge of the fundamental and primary branches as taught in our common schools, they cannot successfully enter upon a high school course, and their educational superstructure is founded upon the sand.

School Register.

Name of School.	Term.	Name of Teacher.	Enrollment.	Average attendance.	Wages per week.
Stanley Hill	Spring,	Grace M. Jones	16	14	$6 50
	Fall,	Charlotte H. Mower,	16	12	6 00
China Village Primary	Spring,	Grace H. Thurston,	25	21	7 00
	Fall,	Grace H Thurston,	24	20	7 00
China Village Grammar	Spring,	Ellen M. Pierce,	21	19	7 00
	Fall,	Ellen M. Pierce,	25	20	7 50
Branch Mills,	Spring,	Florence M. Brown,	17	11	7 00
	Fall,	Florence M Brown,	21	14	7 50
Plains.	Spring,	Mabel D. Ward,	15	12	5 50
	Fall,	Bessie E. Jackson,	11	9	7 00
Deer Hill	Spring,	Effie M. Morrill,	15	12	5 50
	Fall,	Mrs. Nelson Rrown,	19	14	6 50
Weeks' Mills	Spring,	Mary E. Hall,	23	20	7 50
	Fall,	Mary E. Hall,	21	20	8 00
South China	Spring,	Bertha L. Webber,	27	24	7 00
	Fall,	Bertha L. Webber,	25	22	7 00
Hanson Dist.	Spring,	Bessie E. Jackson,	9	9	6 50
	Fall,	Gertrude Lowden,	7	6	5 50
Dirigo.	Spring,	Mildred Parmenter,	18	15	5 50
	Fall,	Grace M. Jones,	18	15	6 50

As the town at its last annual meeting, March last; again failed to appropriate the usual amount of money for common schools, the Superintending School Committee at their annual meeting, March 14, found it necessary again to divide the school year into but two terms, instead of the three which had been the usual custom; and the Superintendent was authorized to run the spring terms ten weeks, and the fall terms, in length, according to the balance of unexpended school money left after the close of the spring terms. Upon figuring up, after receiving the amount of the State school fund, it was found that we had sufficient school money left to run the fall terms twelve weeks, thus making the school year to consist of only twenty-two weeks.

As the law had closed the school in the Clark district, we found, after engaging transportation to the South China

school for the two districts which had composed that district, that we had saved more than one hundred dollars or more than enough school money to lengthen every school in town one week.

In five of our schools the same teachers have been continued during the entire school year. By an inspection of the school register, it will be seen that the school in the Hanson district has failed to maintain an average attendance for the past school year of eight pupils, and is, therefore, suspended under the present school law, unless the Superintending School Committee should recommend in writing its continuance and the town at its annual meeting should vote to continue the school. It seems a shame that after expending as much money as the town has in building a new school building and only last year putting new seats into the house, that the school should be discontinued. Perhaps under the circumstances it would be advisable to continue the school for a year or two at least.

During the past year mental arithmetic has been reintroduced into our schools.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

We would offer the following recommendations for the improvement of our schools:

1st. An increase in the average attendance in our schools. Notwithstanding the average attendance in our schools has been very good, a little over eighty-two per cent. of the total enrollment, yet it is not as large as it should be. Parents see to it that your children attend school regularly.

2nd. The greatest need of our schools is more money. We cannot have good schools without good teachers command good wages. By the present school law we are obliged to run our schools twenty weeks each year, so if we

have a small town appropriation we must adapt ourselves to the circumstances or lose the State school fund: So parents you see the fault is primarily with yourselves. Give us more money, so that we can have better teachers and longer schools.

Toward this object, we would recommend either that the town make a special appropriation for transportation of pupils or that the town raise at least the sum of $2000 for the support of our schools.

3rd. We need better blackboards for our schools.

4th. A change in some of our text books, especially geography and grammar, is necessary.

Again, fellow citizens, accept my thanks for the many courtesies extended to me as a school officer, during the year past.

Respectfully submitted,

G. J. NELSON, Superintendent of Schools.

China February 18, 1907.

VITAL STATISTICS

List of Marriages Recorded in the Town of China, Maine, from Feb. 20, 1906, to Feb. 16, 1907

Date of Marriage		Place of Marriage		Name of Groom	Name of Bride	Residence of Groom		Residence of Bride	
1906									
March	17	China	Me.	Archie C. Farris,	Florence M. Wiggin,	China	Me	China	Me.
"	28	"	"	Perley C. Thurston,	Ella C. Cole,	"	"	"	"
April	15	Middletown	Ct.	Geo. Winfield Clough,	Alice A. McCarthy,	"	"	Boston	Mass.
"	21	China	Me.	Wesley Haskell,	Elva E. Hubbs,	"	"	China	Me.
"	28	"	"	Eddie D. Pulsifer,	Lenora E. Mayhew,	Pittston	"	"	"
May	19	"	"	Bert A. Starkey,	Alwilda L Gilman,	China	"	"	"
"	24	Blanchard	"	Herbert S. Bartlett.	Inez G. Bradford,	Blanchard	"	"	"
June	9	Vassalboro	"	John P. Moffit,	GraceE. Small,	China	"	Vassalboro	"
"	16	Augusta	"	Oren A. Haskell,	Lucinda Ricker,	"	"	Augusta	"
"	27	Waterville	"	Abbott S. Morrison,	Fannie M. Crosman,	Waterville	"	China	"
July	3	China	"	Edward Halloway,	Aurellia Haskell,	China	"	"	"
September	8	"	"	Walter L. Spearing,	Amy Foss,	"	"	Albion	"
"	12	"	"	Horace G. Farnum,	Sarah E Baker,	Sidney	"	Sidney	"
November	6	"	"	Walter S. Davis,	Virginia Davis,	Monhegan	"	Cushing	"
"	12	Vassalboro	"	George R. Starrett,	Jennie C. Farwell,	China	"	Vassalboro	"
"	24	China	"	William H. White,	Mary A. Murray,	"	"	China	"
December	24	"	"	William H. Colwell,	Grace G. McLaughlin,	Lewiston	"	"	"
"	25	Albion	"	Elmer E. Thurston,	Inez M. McKenney,	China	"	Benton	"
"	30	China	"	Marcellus E. Partridge,	Mary B. Cookson,	Whitefield	"	Whitefield	"
1907									
January	16	Augusta	"	Charles H. Randall,	L Frances Booker,	China	"	Augusta	"
February	9	China	"	Fred A. Pierce,	Annie A Berry,	"	"	China	"

Births

Date of Birth		Place of Birth		Name of Child	Name of Parents	Residence of Parents	
1906.							
March	9	China	Me.	Lucille McLaughlin,	Frank P. and Bertha G. McLaughlin,	China	Me
"	26	"	"	Willis Alfred Barlow,	Wilbur A. and Eva B. Barlow,	"	"

"	27	"	"	Milton Bateman Wentworth,	Bateman C. and Vena R. Wentworth,	"	"
April	2	"	"	Earland Percy Hallowell,	Gideon and Mamie M Hallowell,	"	"
"	15	"	"	Phillis Fuller,	Howard L. and Lottie F. Fuller,	"	"
May	2	"	"	Howard White Norton,	Charles A and Jennie L. Norton,	"	"
"	15	"	"	Lee Mabry Bassett,	Alexander and Bertha Bassett,	"	"
"	17	"	"	Floyd Vernon Adams,	Lyman and Lottie S. Adams,	"	"
"	25	"	"	William Crosby Cole,	Robert B. and Carrie B. Cole,	Fairfield	"
"	29	"	"	Stanley Winfield Peva,	Frank A. and Annie M. Peva.	China	"
June	19	"	"	Julia Ann Thomas,	Michael and Susan E. Thomas,	"	"
"	24	"	"	Agnes May Masse,	Louis Z. and Edith E, Masse,	"	"
July	9	"	"	Royden Otis Worthing,	Edson L. and Mattie P. Worthing,	"	"
"	11	"	"	Aurie Marion Austin,	Harry W. and Lena E. Austin,	"	"
"	23	"	"	Frederick Earle Pelton,	Frederick A, and Dora P. Pelton,	"	"
August	3	"	"	Nellie EmmaSturtevant,	Leon and Hattie C. Sturtevant	"	"
"	9	"	"	Dorothy Thurston,	Perley C and Katie C Thurston	"	"
"	19	"	"	Harold Earle Ward,	John L and Isabelle Ward	"	"
"	30	"	"	Phillis I Clark,	George L and Dazelle D. Clark	"	"
Sept	20	"	"	Mabelle Loraine Kitchen,	Orlave L and Grace G. Kitchen	"	"
"	24	"	"	Morrill Stanley Mosher,	Herbert J. and Josephine S Mosher	"	"
October	1	"	"	Marion Naonie Gordon,	Frank M. and Florence P Gordon	"	"
"	7	"	"	Harry Raymond Clifford,	Roy L. and Mary S. Clifford	"	"
"	29	"	"	Alice Eldora Hallowell,	Forest B and Ida C Hallowell	"	"
Nov.	20	"	"	Maud Etta Haskell,	Raymond and Olive M. Haskell	"	"
"	24	"	"	Erlena Cynthia Saben,	Mark L and Minnie T. Saben	"	"
Dec.	9	"	"	Robert Abisha Fletcher Jr.	Robert A. and Sarah W. Fletcher,	"	"
"	24	"	"	Elden George Jerolman,	Walter and Algie D. Jerolman,	"	"
1907.							
January	14	"	"	Wendell Stanley Buzzell,	Horace A. and Ina Buzzell,	"	"
"	24	"	"	Nelson Ward Bailey,	William B. and Mabelle W. Bailey,	"	"
"	30	"	"	Cony Moody Haskell,	Wesley and Elva E. Haskell,	"	"

Deaths.

Date of Death.			Place of Death.		Name of Deceased.	AGE Years.	Months.	Days.	Single, Married or Widowed	Place of Birth.		Cemetery.	Town.	
1906.														
Feb.	9,		Palermo,	Me.	Amos Gardner,	75	9	8	M	Albion,	Me	Branch Mills	China,	Me
"	25,		China,	"	Lucy E. Moody,	66	—	—	M	Chelsea,	"	Blackman	Whitefield	"
"	26,		"	"	Charles S. Berry,	63	8	8	M	Brunswick,	"	Lake View	China,	"
"	27,		"	"	Edwin H. Snell,	82	—	13	M	China,	"		"	"
"	28,		Lowell,	Mass.	Gustavus J. Wyman,	75	1	8	M			Chadwick Hill	"	"
March	14,		China,	Me	Sumner Hawes,	76	5	4	M	Windsor,	"	South China	"	"
"	15,		"	"	C. Albert Gilson,	50	5	21	S	Winchester.	Mass.		Winchester	Mass
"	21,		"	"	Ida May Hustus,	49	10	—	M	Freedom,	Me	Branch Mills	China,	Me
"	24,		"	"	Eleanor S Starbird,	80	2	24	W	Brunswick,	"		Brunswick	"
"	30,		"	"	Hollis M. Proctor,	60	4	24	W	Salem,	Mass	Deer Hill	China	"
April	7,		Augusta,	"	Edward Norton,	32	—	—	S	China,	Me	South China	"	"
"	10,		China	"	Robert Hallowell,	72	—	—	M	"	"	Weeks Mills	"	"
"	12,		"	"	Mamie Hallowell,	23	9	17	M	"	"	"	"	"
"	14,		"	"	Guy P. Hallowell,	16	7	4	S	Windsor,	"	Tylers Corner	Windsor	"
"	16,		"	"	Phillis Fuller,	—	—	1	S	China,	"	Chadwick Hill	China	"
"	18,		"	"	Abbie E. Crommett,	64	—	16	M	Palermo,	"	Branch Mills	"	"
"	20,		"	"	Keziah Reed,	75	10	17	W	China,	"	Dudley	"	"
"	21,		Washington	"	Jennie F. Turner,	21	7	9	M	Augusta,	"	Breed	"	"
"	22,		Waterville,	"	Hortense G. Bray,	32	10	17	S	Vassalboro,	"	China Village	"	"
"	27,		China,	"	Reed Morrill,	68	6	17	M	"	"	Town Farm	"	"
May	4,		Vassalboro.	"	Harold P. Barnes,	—	6	8	S	"	"		"	"
"	7,		China,	"	Eugene A. Turner,	—	—	16	S	Washington,	"	Breed	"	"
"	12,		"	"	Hadley Keller,	54	—	10	W	China,	"	Bessie Ridge	Albion	"

"	17,	"	"	Mary R. Jones,	84	2	3	M	"	"	China Neck	China	"
June	21,	"	"	Abisha B. Fletcher,	84	2	13	W	"	"	China Village	"	"
"	21,	"	"	Susan S Mosher,	88	—	21	W	Knox,	"	Weeks Mills	"	"
"	28,	"	"	Nathan R. Peva.	64	—	—	W	Windsor,	"		Gardiner	"
July	25,	"	"	Dora P Pelton,	18	1	26	M	Rockland,	"	Sand Hill	Somerville	"
"	29,	"	"	Charles W. Worth.	53	—	—	M	Vassalboro,	"	East Vassalboro	Vassalboro	"
Aug.	11,	"	"	Annie Belle M Rice,	28	9	30	S	China,	"	China Village	China	"
"	19,	Vassalboro,	"	Lot F. Trask,	61	9	—	W	Somerville,	"		"	"
Sept	11,	China,	"	James Small,	84	11	25	M	Waterborough,	"	Branch Mills	"	"
Oct.	4,	"	"	Eunice R. Freeman,	81	—	—	W	Vassalboro,	"	East Vassalboro	Vassalboro	"
"	7,	"	"	Harry R. Clifford,	—	—	—	S	China,	"	Weeks Mills	China	"
"	17,	"	"	Jane Hodgkins,	79	2	12	M	Windsor,	"	Deer Hill	"	"
"	25,	"	"	Frances E Thompson	75	3	7	W	China,	"	China Village	"	"
"	31,	"	"	William Hodgkins,	85	4	—	W	Wiscasset,	"	Deer Hill	"	"
Nov.	13,	Augusta,	"	Edwina Banks,	21	—	—	S	China	"	Weeks Mills	"	"
"	18,	China,	"	Elias Wixson,	85	1	—	M	Augusta,	"	West Albion	Albion	"
"	21,	"	"	Daniel L. Jackson,	84	8	26	M	Windsor,	"	Sand Hill	Windsor	"
Dec.	29,	"	"	Henry J. Colby,	75	—	—	S				Boston,	Mass
1907													
Jan.	24,	"	"	Fidelia Place,	77	1	2	M	Smithfield,	R I.	South China	China,	Me
"	28,	"	"	Phoebe B. Bragg.	90	6	11	W	China,	Me	Morrill	"	"
Feb.	16,	"	"	John Jones,	81	6	21	W	"	"	Lake View	"	"

Notice.

To CHAS. R. GETCHELL, a constable in the Town of China, in the County of Kennebec and State of Maine.

GREETING:—In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town of China, qualified by law to vote in town affairs to assemble at the Town House, in said town, on Monday the eleventh day of March, A. D. 1907, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

ART. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART. 2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

ART. 3. To choose Selectmen for the ensuing year.

ART. 4. To choose Assessors for the ensuing year.

ART. 5. To choose Overseers of the poor for the ensuing year.

ART. 6. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

ART. 7. To choose a member of the School Committee, for a term of three years.

ART. 8. To see if the town will vote to elect one or more Road Cmmissioners for the ensuing year.

ART. 9. To choose one or more Road Commissioners for the ensuing year, if the town so votes, and establish pay for same.

ATR. 10. To choose an Auditor for the ensuing year.

ART. 11. To choose a Collector of Taxes, and one or more constables for the ensuing year.

ART. 12 To choose all other necessary town officers for for the ensuing year.

ART. 13 To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repair of roads and bridges and the breaking down of snow.

ART. 14. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of poor.

ART. 15. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools.

ART. 16. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for maintaing a free High Sehool.

ART. 17. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of text books.

ART. 18. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the general repair of school buildings.

ART. 19. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of writing books and other mecessary school supplies.

ART. 20 To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for miscellaneous expenses.

ART. 21. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the liqnidation of town bonds.

ART. 22. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the payment of interest on town bonds.

ART. 23. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed four hundred dollars to be expended on

"State Road", one half of said sum to be refunded by the State.

ART. 24. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five dollars. Twelve and one half dollars to be given J. P. Jones Post G. A. R. and the same amount to A. J. Billings Post G. A. R. to help defray Memorial Day expenses.

ART. 25 To see if the town will vote to instruct the Assessors to require every person owning taxable property in this town to give in the same under oath.

ART. 26. To see if the town will vote to instruct the School Committee to maintain a school in the Hanson District the ensuing year.

ART. 27. To see what method the town will take in relation to the collection of taxes for the ensuing year.

ART. 28. To see if the town will vote to have the Commitment of 1907, collected on or before June, 1, 1908.

Hereof fail not and have you there this warrant with your doings thereon.

The Selectmen hereby give notice that they will be in session at the Town House, in said town at eight o'clock, on the morning of said meeting, for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands at China this twenty-seventh day of Febuary, A. D. 1907.

I. H. REED,
A. N. GOODWIN,
F. O. BONNEY.
} Selectmen of China.

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Assessors' Report.

VALUATION, 1907.

Real estate resident.....	$379,775 00	
" non-resident.....	41,730 00	
		$421,505 00
Personal estate, resident.....	$105,855 00	
" non-resident..	4,360 00	
		$110,215 00
Total valuation..		$531,720 00

Number of polls, 362.

Rate of taxation, .0245.

A. N. GOODWIN,
A. P. MOSHER,
E. L. WORTHING,
} Assessors of China.

Selectmen's Report.

RESOURCES.

Tax deeds in hands of Treasurer Feb. 24, 1908	$ 64 64
Taxes in hands of Cook & Small	80 54
Uncollected taxes	2,460 09
Dinsmore fund (interest)	92 79
Town tax and overlayings (1907)	11,683 46
State tax	1,628 64
County tax	801 04
Refunded dog license	82 37
State road money (1906)	212 05
Received from State damage by dogs	31 00
Free High school	375 00
Fairfield for Yorks	165 73
Unity for child	5 00
Bowdoinham for White	89 10
Oakland for Knox	134 08
Belfast for Robbins	4 00
Vassalboro for Yorks	360 00
State burial D. L. Jackson	35 00
School fund (1906)	832 70
on account Dinsmore fund	1 50
from Palermo School account	12 40
	$19,151 13

MISCELLANEOUS EXPENDITURES.

Town appropriation	$700 00
Paid Williamson & Burleigh, commission on taxes collected, commitment 1906	24 35
Cook & Small, commission, commitment of taxes, 1904 and 1905	7 72
Wesley Haskell, building chimney	2 50
A. N. Goodwin for cash paid for legal advice	7 00
A. N. Goodwin, cash expended	27 35
E. L. Worthing, cash expended	10 25
A. P. Mosher, cash expended	12 60
A. N. Goodwin, telephoning	3 24
A. N. Goodwin, making valuation and record book	15 00
A. N. Goodwin, sheep damage	10 00
Eben Bailey, sheep damage	5 00
John Small, sheep damage	4 00
Geo. L. Clark, sheep damage	12 00
G. W. Singer, printing town reports	27 00
Newell White, printing blanks	5 25
W. H. Jones, services as moderator	2 00
Fred Moody, burial expense of Sarah Meiggs	26 00
C. E. Lowe, diging grave, Sarah Meiggs	4 00
Geo. W. Weeks, attending funeral, Meiggs	2 00
C. R. Getchell, balance percentage 1906	40 02
C. R. Getchell, stationery and postage	3 50
C. W. Jones, services as auditor, 1906	2 00
George Harrington, special police	10 00
H. H. Hall, care of town house	3 00
H. L. Kelley, books and stationery	10 95

G. J. Nelson, reporting births and deaths.	4 50
C. H. Leach, reporting births and deaths.	2 00
M. M. Small, " " .	5 25
W. W. Washburn, recording births and deaths.....	12 00
W. W. Washburn for postage.....	16 89
T. E. Doe for postage.....	10 00
C. R. Getchell, abatement taxes 1906....	83 81
T. E. Doe, abatement taxes 1907.....	70 53
" for C. F. Beale, abatement 1905, 1906 and 1907.....	19 20
T. E. Doe for Elizabeth Jones, abatement 1906 and 1907.....	12 90
Cook and Small, commission on taxes, collected 1905 committment.....	13 50
T. E. Doe, percentage for collecting.....	138 16
	$665 47

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid G. J. Nelson, services and cash expense..	$107 85
A. N. Goodwin, services as Selectman part payment.....	30 00
A. G. Malcolm, services on school committee.....	10 00
T. E. Doe, services on school committee	10 00
I. L. Jones, " "	8 50
A. A. Malcolm, services as Truant Officer	3 88
I. T. Merrill, Board of Health.....	10 10
J. E. Crossman, "	8 00
J. H. Mosher, "	7 00

W. W. Washburn, services as Town Clerk	10 00
M. M. Small, services town physician....	50 00
A. N. Goodwin, balance for services as Selectman..	205 00
A. P. Mosher, services as Selectman.....	112 50
E. L. Worthing, " "	83 75
	$1,322 05

G. A. R.

Appropriation....		$25 00
Paid J. P. Jones Post.....	$12 50	
A. J. Billings.....	12 50	
		$25 00

PAUPER ACCOUNT.

Appropriation.....	$600 00
Received of Fairfield for Yorks.....	165 73
Received of Unity for P. Childs.....	5 00
Received of Bowdoinham for White.....	89 10
Received of Oakland for Knox..... ..	134 08
Received of Belfast for Robbins.....	4 00
Received of Vassalboro for Yorks..... ..	360 00
	$1,357 91
Paid Town of Palermo for Isaac Oakman.....	$117 47
Town of Palermo, bill for Isaac Oakman, 1906...	155 50
E. L. Worthing for White.....	6 00

A. N. Goodwin, for White.....	2 00
F. A. Doe, for White.....	14 94
W. A. Jackson, for team to Palermo.....	3 00
M. M. Small, M. D., medical attendance to Isaac Oakman.....	4 00
Insane Hospital. board of J. Burgess.....	30 34
C. A. Jones, supplies furnished J. Burgess	1 52
W. H. Metcalf, sawing wood for J. Burgess	1 20
Theodore Smiley, care of J. Burgess.....	15 00
E. M. Brainerd, house rent, J. Burgess...	7 00
Mandana Reynolds, care of J. Burgess...	25 00
A. N. Goodwin, removing J. Burgess to Insane Asylum	5 00
F. A. Doe for S. B. York.....	12 72
Crummett and Bradstreet for S. B. York.	52 82
E. L. Worthing, for S. B. York.....	32 32
F. A. Doe for S. B. York.....	2 46
E. L. Worthing for A. Robbins.....	4 00
" Lewis Dudley	14 50
" Wellington York.....	41 03
" George York.....	4 25
George F. Rowe. for Geo. York.....	31 45
" " "	31 25
" " Wellington York....	19 38
" " W. H. White.....	66 16
" " Lafonzo Carter....	4 50
" " Dighton Knox.....	71 08
" " "	63 00
W. R. Ward for Alonzo York.....	99 28
" " Geo. York.....	10 00
" " Alonzo York.....	173 19
F. A. Doe for Geo. York.....	10 58

" Lafonzo Carter.....		8 27
E. M. Moody for Wellington York.....		5 00
W. C. Hawes, Supt. Children's Home for maintenance of Walter Polliott.....		50 00
		$1,195 21
Cost of poor off farm.....		$437 30

POOR ON FARM.

Paid Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Taylor, Supt. of Almshouse.....	$250 00	
Hanson, Webber & Dunham for range.....	35 00	
W. F. Hawes for supplies.	42 16	
E. L. Worthing for supplies..	3 69	
E. S. Kitchen for supplies...	3 44	
H. P. Reed for supplies.....	14 13	
H. F. Merrill for supplies....	16 11	
H. P. Reed for supplies. ..	73 93	
L. O. Pullen for harness.....	25 00	
Total cost of poor on farm		$463 46
Total cost of poor.....		$903 76
Overdrawn on poor account.....		303 76

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Town appropriation.....	$5,500 00
Town appropriation state road.	400 00
Paid for breaking down snow, winter 1906 and 1907..... ..	4,082 00

For summer work	1,577 81
For State road	299 58

SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Town appropriation	$2000 00	
Due from State (school fund)	952 74	
Collected from Palermo	12 40	
		$2965 14
Paid for teachers	$1910 80	
Paid for transportation	914 20	
Paid for fuel	93 43	
		$2918 43
Overdrawn previous years	375 45	
" in 1907	78 29	

SCHOOL REPAIR ACCOUNT.

Town appropriation		$200 00
Paid for repairs	$189 11	
Over expended previous years	159 56	
		348 67
Over expended Feb. 24th 1908		$148 67

SCHOOL SUPPLY ACCOUNT.

Town appropriation		$50 00
Over drawn 1896	$12 80	
Paid P. G. Brown for supplies	1 55	
	$14 35	
Unexpended	35 65	
		$50 00

TEXT BOOK ACCOUNT.

Unexpended 1906...	$146 53	
Town appropriation 1907.....	200 00	
		$346 53
Paid Edward E. Babb & Co.....	$116 39	
Paid Ginn & Co.....	136 21	
Paid American Book Co.....	38 00	
		$290 60
Unexpended.....		$ 55 93

FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

Town appropriation.....	$250 00	
Received from the State.....	375 00	
		$625 00
Paid Erskine Academy.....	$250 00	
Paid U. I. Mixer.....	125 00	
Paid Emma H. Nelson.....	125 00	
		$500 00
Unexpended.....		$125 00

TOWN BOND ACCOUNT.

Unexpended in 1906.....	$1500 00
Appropriation.....	1000 00
	$2500 00

TOWN BONDS ACCOUNT.

Paid for Bond No. 21	$500 00	
" " 26	500 00	
" " 27	500 00	
" " 31	500 00	
" " 32	500 00	
" " 2	100 00	
" " 5	100 00	
	$2700 00	
Overexpended		200 00
		$2700 00

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Town appropriation	$300 00	
Unexpended balance	149 23	
		$449 23
Paid for coupons		352 91
Unexpended		$116 32

DINSMORE FUND (IN TRUST.)

On deposit 1906	$92 59
Interest Jan. 15, 1908	3 71
	$96 30
Expended	1 50
On deposit Feb. 24th, 1908	$94 80

GENERAL STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES.

Paid for Miscellaneous expenditures		$ 665 47
Poor off farm		1,195 21
Poor on farm		463 46
Highways and brldges		5,959 39
Schools		2,825 00
Fuel		93 43
School repairs		189 11
" supplies		1 55
High School		500 00
Text books		290 60
Town Bonds		2,700 00
Balance State Tax 1906		1,158 19
Interest		352 91
G. A. R. Posts		25 00
Town officers		656 58
County tax		801 04
State tax, 1907		356 00
On account Dinsmore fund		1 50
		$18,234 44
Resources	$19,151 13	
Expenditures	18,234 44	
		$916 69

Leaving in the hands of Theron E. Doe, Collector and Treasurer as follows:

Tax deeds	$ 54 85
Dinsmore fund	95 00
Uncollected taxes, 1907	316 64
In hands of Cook & Small, tax 1905	13 67

In hands of Williamson & Burleigh, 1906	8 77	
In hands of T. E. Doe, Treasurer, 1906 tax	8 54	
Cash	419 22	
		$916 69

LIABILITIES.

Town bonds	$5700 00	
State tax (unpaid)	1272 64	
Due Babb & Co. (Books)	19 66	
Due Ginn & Co.	113 51	
Due Sanborn & Co.	7 00	
		$7112 81

AVAILABLE RESOURCES.

In hands Collector and Treasurer	$916 69	
Due from State (school fund)	952 74	
Due from State roads	150 00	
Due from town of Warren poor account	12 77	
Due from town of Randolph, poor account	17 50	
		$2049 70
Balance against the town		$5063 11

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts and found them correct, with proper vouchers on file for same.

O. F. SPROUL,
Auditor of Accounts for the town of China.

China, Me., Feb. 28th, 1908.

RESIDENT DELINQUENT TAX PAYERS.

Adams, Lyman	$14 78
Bailey, Willis	3 00
Briggs, Sadie Heirs	3 68
Burrill, Daniel L.	1 75
Crommett, Silas	8 53
Chism, Chas. H.	6 92
Davis, Cyrus	4 23
Earle, Fred, M. D	7 41
Freeman, Charles	61
Harmon, Myron	14 68
Hallowell Bros	9 19
Haskell, Bert	3 00
Hallowell, Harris	4 83
Jones, Edwin, Heirs	31 58
Jackson, Daniel, Heirs	4 90
Floyd Jones	4 84
McLaughlin	13 95
Moody, Ezra, Heirs	9 80
Mishou, Addie	8 21
Norton, Geo. M	9 64
Norton, Herbert	7 28
Whitehouse Bros	3 68
Pinkham, A. H	3 00
Peva, Frank	11 93
Starkey, A. G	3 00
Small, Arnold	6 90
Sturtevant, Leon	3 00
Stinson, H. R., M. D	7 90
Stewart, Albert B	3 00
Tyler, Henry	1 35
Tyler, Joshua, Est	2 60

Ward, F. C.	22 12
Wood, Frank	50 22
Thurston, Elmer	50
	$292 01

NON-RESIDENT.

Cummings and Milliken	$9 80
Coombs, Bert	61
Jordan, William	3 68
Neal, Harrison	1 84
Phillips, C. A	3 67
Wilton, Mary	4 29
Bragg, John	74
	$316 64

PAID FOR BREAKING DOWN SNOW, WINTER 1906 AND 1907.

Geo. Gillman,	labor	$ 1 55
J. L. Goddard,	"	8 06
A. N. Goodwin,	"	19 25
Hallowell Herbert,	"	2 80
Ira Haskell,	"	18 00
E. W. Haskell,	"	29 45
J. H. Haskell,	"	9 21
C. R. Hatch,	"	15 20
Harris Hallowell,	"	6 75

C. W. Hammond,	"	.....	22 35
Leon Herbert,	"	.....	2 00
C. L. P. Handy,	"	.....	3 60
W. S. Hunnewell & Son,	"	.....	38 88
H. J. Haskell,	"	.....	40 67
D. L. Hysom,	"	.....	13 26
E. E. Haskell,	"	.....	6 30
W. S. Haskell,	"	.....	45
Wilson Haskell,	"	.....	26 25
J. N. Hall,	"	.....	8 98
Riley Holt,	"	.....	1 27
Otis Hannon,	"	.....	8 55
Wm. Hallowell,	"	.....	3 00
F. B. Hallowell,	"	.....	4 20
Chas. Hallowell,	"	.....	2 95
Edward Hallowell,	"	.....	14 10
Eben Hallowell,	"	.....	22 86
Levi Hallowell,	"	.....	28 25
I. D. M. Hallowell,	"	.....	23 60
R. E. Hallowell,	"	.....	5 70
David Lamera,	"	.....	7 25
C. J. Maine,	"	.....	34 65
F. E. Mitchell,	"	.....	8 00
W. O. Marden,	"	.....	15 25
W. F. Morse,	"	.....	37 00
A. P. Morrill,	"	.....	9 30
J. B. Morrill,	"	.....	8 55
A. A. Malcolm,	"	.....	3 37
A. G. Malcolm,	"	.....	19 75
A. P. Mosher,	"	.....	8 85
Wm. Mills,	"	.....	5 85
A. L. Mosher,	"	.....	6 53

J. W. Morrill,	"	.....	11 60
J. H. Mosher,	"	.....	19 10
J. E. Mitchell,	"	.....	61 60
Thomas Norton,	"	.....	10 35
Augustus Patnande,	"	.....	7 50
P. H. Pearson,	"	.....	6 98
Ruel Parmenter,	"	.....	12 15
S. G. Parmenter,	"	.....	9 20
Willis Philbrook,	"	.....	8 85
Perry Pullen,	"	.....	3 22
Frank Prescott,	"	.....	4 36
Reuben Page,	"	.....	6 10
N. R. Page,	"	.....	18 55
H. P. Reed,	"	.....	5 02
W. S. Reed,	"	.....	1 13
C. W. Randall,	"	.....	21 15
H. B. Haskell,	"	.....	9 14
W. S. Tobey,	"	.....	16 75
Emory Haskell,	"	.....	8 15
Jason Snell,	"	.....	3 75
John Small,	"	.....	1 50
Chas. Doe,	"	.....	8 10
H. O. Doe,	"	.....	9 35
E. A. Dudley,	"	.....	41 05
J. R. B. Dinsmore,	"	.....	3 50
P. W. Dodge,	"	.....	32 60
C. O. Dowe,	"	.....	10 05
A. J. Dutton,	"	.....	9 60
E. E. Dutton,	"	.....	11 40
C. E. Dutton,	"	.....	10 55
R. T. Ellis, Jr.,	"	.....	17 25
C. W. Emerson,	"	.....	8 84

Deane Estes,	"	.....	11 10
Samuel Grindle,	"	.....	15 00
J. P. Ellis,	"	.....	15 75
Horatio Farrington,	"	.....	8 00
B. M. Freeman,	"	.....	7 27
O. M. Fernald,	"	.....	11 40
Chas. Frye,	"	.....	7 35
T. M. Foster,	"	.....	17 75
T. S. Farrington,	"	.....	5 97
Wm. Farrington,	"	.....	13 70
E. O. Gilman,	"	.....	4 88
Geo. Gamsbry,	"	.....	1 75
F. M. Gordon,	"	.....	6 23
C. R. Getchell,	"	.....	50 00
Sam'l. Gerald,	"	.....	9 75
N. T. Hallowell,	"	.....	20 95
A. J. Hallowell,	"	.....	51 60
Raymond J. Hall,	"	.....	6 39
F. E. Hall,	"	.....	33 05
H. H. Hall,	"	.....	24 70
Ray Haskell,	"	.....	20 30
Wesley Haskell,	"	.....	13 75
F. H. Jones,	"	.....	13 40
L. E. Jackson,	"	.....	17 32
B. F. Jepson,	"	.....	1 20
W. C. Jackson,	"	.....	75
Elwood Jones,	"	.....	10 80
C. E. Jackson,	"	.....	7 80
Alex Jackson,	"	.....	13 50
I. L. Jones,	"	.....	47 08
W. A. Fletcher,	"	.....	6 00
E. and M. Farnsworth,	"	.....	3 25

P. Freeman,	"	.....	8 50
G. H. Freeman,	"	.....	21 00
C. H. Freeman,	"	.....	2 50
J. S. Fernald,	"	.....	7 25
Henry Kenric,	"	.....	3 50
Frank Lee,	"	.....	4 25
Andrew Leighton,	"	.....	7 50
W. E. Morrill,	"	.....	90
H. B. Martin,	"	.....	3 75
A. Langlois,	"	.....	24 68
L. W. Lewis,	"	.....	14 50
Henry Lewis,	"	.....	11 00
W. F. Ward,	"	.....	13 70
Mrs. Abbie Ward,	"	.....	11 37
O. U. G. Ward,	"	.....	16 45
W. C. Washburn,	"	.....	5 25
W. H. White,	"	.....	1 00
A. D. Wiggin,	"	.....	3 00
Edward Weeks,	"	.....	1 27
Fred Weeks,	"	.....	16 30
D. Y. White,	"	.....	10 25
M. C. Wixon,	"	.....	25 98
E. C. Webber,	"	.....	18 05
Martin Webber & Son,	"	.....	21 32
W. R. Webber,	"	.....	37 60
Andrew Webber & Son,	"	.....	27 65
Frank Wood,	"	.....	2 93
Ezra Ward,	"	.....	15 26
Fred Fitzgerald,	"	.....	33 30
G. W. Reynolds,	"	.....	88 50
Henry Talbot,	"	.....	6 00
F. A. Young,	"	.....	7 15

Samuel Wetzler,	"	.....	15 30
Hollis Kellar,	"	.....	14 94
Elmer Thurston,	"	.....	15 00
A. N. Thurston,	"	.....	19 00
C. W. Jones,	"	.....	30 65
Eben Bailey,	"	.....	11 75
C. A. Pinkham & Son,	"	.....	14 30
Orlave Kitchen,	"	.....	5 00
L. J. Randall & Son,	"	.....	12 10
H. N. Randall,	"	.....	16 00
Ezra Ward,	"	.....	16 82
R. L. Farris,	"	.....	2 25
Fred Malcolm,	"	.....	7 00
E. C. Webber,	"	.....	1 05
Chas. Adams,	"	.....	80
J. O. Bragg,	"	.....	50
H. O. Doe,	"	.....	1 05
N. R. Page,	"	.....	50
Edward Pierce,	"	.....	18 50
F. O. Bonney,	"	.....	28 86
H. P. Reed,	"	.....	8 00
C. E. Dutton,	"	.....	1 05
E. E. Dutton,	"	.....	1 05
W. H. Farris,	"	.....	11 35
Louville Proctor,	"	.....	4 25
H. H. Hall,	"	.....	1 23
H. Whitehouse,	"	.....	13 35
H. L. Fuller,	"	.....	4 50
H. J. Haskell,	"	.....	2 80
C. E. Jackson,	"	.....	10 30
Andrew Leighton,	"	.....	90
M. Z. Sabin,	"	.....	90

Daniel Webber,	"	.....	90
W. R. Webber,	"	.....	2 05
M. C. Wixon,	"	.....	1 50
C. W. Randall,	"	.....	2 10
Elihu Hanson,	"	.....	8 00
P. C. Thurston,	"	.....	22 75
W. H. Jones,	"	.....	32 00
Geo. E. Roberts & Son,	"	.....	19 03
R. C. A. Rowe,	"	.....	17 67
L. B. Robinson,	"	.....	12 98
Leslie Roundy,	"	.....	6 00
F. D. Rand,	"	.....	22 43
J. A. Rowe,	"	.....	10 51
R. H. Reed,	"	.....	43 25
I. H. Reed,	"	.....	30 60
Eben Shaw,	"	.....	2 03
Morris Shorey,	"	.....	6 75
Alton Seco,	"	.....	2 63
E. M. Sprague,	"	.....	90
J. M. Sprague,	"	.....	8 40
H. K. Stinson,	"	.....	75
F. D. Shorey,	"	.....	10 65
J. W. Snell,	"	.....	30 55
John Small,	"	.....	20 50
L. M. Sabin,	"	.....	26 15
Oscar Sibley,	"	.....	4 95
Andrew Small,	"	.....	11 00
Chas. Spearin,	"	.....	3 00
O. F. Sproul,	"	.....	3 75
G. F. Thurston, Jr.,	"	.....	24 85
Henry Tyler,	"	.....	7 20
Walter Tobey,	"	.....	66 50

Michael Thomas,	"	14 27
Edward Thurston,	"	15 75
Everett Thurston,	"	12 00
Gardiner Tyler,	"	26 90
Peter Taylor,	"	12 46
E. O. Taylor,	"	21 85
J. W. Austin,	"	13 00
H. W. Austin.	"	7 98
C. F. Abbott,	"	16 00
Lyman Adams,	"	3 35
Chas. Adams,	"	13 38
Henry Arnold,	"	7 58
Chas. Allen,	"	1 65
C. L. Buzzell,	"	12 52
Arthur Brillard,	"	10 05
Chas. Bailey,	"	17 18
A. R. Burrill,	"	10 00
P. G. Brown,	"	5 39
J. A. Banks,	"	9 75
J. O. Bragg,	"	14 00
D. L. Burrill,	"	17 60
Wm. F. Brown,	"	6 67
John Berry,	"	9 83
Fred Bragg,	"	3 75
F. H. Brown,	"	4 20
Chas. Beale,	"	3 30
Alex Bassett,	"	15 67
Frank Brown,	"	4 35
Silas Bowden,	"	7 80
C. F. Bumps,	"	7 70
A. H. Bickford,	"	1 50
Chas. Blanchard,	"	24 00

F. O. Burgess,	"	26 77
O. S. Bartlett,	"	17 00
J. L. Brown,	"	9 28
Wm. Bailey,	"	5 25
Frank Taylor,	"	2 27
A. D. Abbott,	"	18 51
F. C. Ward,	"	7 00
F. S. Mitchell,	"	18 70
Fred Gerald,	"	6 20
C. H. Freeman,	"	18 64
J. M. Goodspeed,	"	14 79
O. J. Crane,	"	12 95
J. S. Burns,	"	8 31
R. C. Maxwell,	"	6 60
H. F. Whitehouse,	"	2 70
W. F. Hawes,	"	2 25
J. A. Jones,	"	10 06
Linwood Jones,	"	7 85
F. E. Jones,	"	25
W. R. Jerolman,	"	5 30
C. H. Jackson,	"	2 10
P. G. Brown,	"	13 61
Frank Brown,	"	24 10
J. H. Mosher,	"	1 70
C. B. Clark,	"	75
Alex. Bassett,	"	75
A. P. Morrill,	"	30
Fred Fitzgerald,	"	75
P. Freeman,	"	75
D. L. Clark,	"	75
Francis Craigg,	"	11 55
J. L. Turner,	"	25 11

G. F. Thurston,	"	52 40
Silas Crummett,	"	5 00
C. B. Clark,	"	29 40
G. L. Clark,	"	13 50
G. S. Clark,	"	8 25
D. L. Clark,	"	26 60
J. B. Clark,	"	10 10
G. M. Crossman,	"	32 25
H. M. Crommett,	"	42 62
B. W. Clifford,	"	30 70
R. B. Cole,	"	24 90
W. E. Colley,	"	8 37
A. J. Cates,	"	5 00
H. P. Chapman,	"	5 55
David Champrine,	"	9 75
Cyrus Cunningham,	"	14 35
Archie Colburn,	"	16 73
Alex Crane,	"	10 70
Fred Choate,	"	21 10
Avery Choate,	"	3 30
James Cook,	"	9 90
Harry Choate,	"	2 03
Alfred Choate,	"	1 20
A. D. Chadwick,	"	8 50
J. E. Crossman,	"	6 60
W. A. Crossman,	"	17 99
J. F. Crossman,	"	7 22
Ed. Lewis,	"	2 25
Geo. Wentworth,	"	14 34
E. E. Wentworth,	"	14 58
Frank Patterson,	"	6 97
Chas. Besse,	"	32 35

A. H. Bickford,	"	4 65
John L. Goddard,	"	1 50
S. J. Newell,	"	13 54
C. P. L. Handy,	"	1 04
F. C. Mosher,	"	6 53
F. S. Wallace,	"	26 87
H. J. Haskell,	" 1905 and 1906..	34 12
Thomas Norton,	"	5 60
A. K. Small,	"	8 50
F. A. Pera,	"	7 60
F. H. Manning,	"	1 72
Geo. Starkey & Son,	"	4 05
L. C. Buzzell,	"	15 38
James Burns,	"	21 95
W. A. Morrell,	"	24 68
Mrs. Chas. Worth,	"	13 27
Harris Doe, bill of 1905 and 1906.....		18 00
A. A. Malcolm,	labor.....	12 07
Wilbur Barlow,	"	3 75
Arthur Brillard,	"	10 05
Eben Hallowell,	"	1 75
Frank L. Brown,	"	2 57
Hollis Kellar,	"	5 00
A. J. Cates,	"	1 50
		$4,141 47

PAID FOR LABOR ON HIGHWAY.

SUMMER 1907.

S. H. Grindle	$ 8 25
P. C. Thurston.....	3 50
E. T. Haskell.....	2 77

A. A. Malcolm	9 70
W. Wood, plank	12 75
G. W. Reynolds, material and labor	22 83
A. B. Black, road machine repairs	21 50
Walter Jerolman	10 50
Edward Webber	19 60
A. L. Mosher	3 50
Eben Hallowell	3 50
Levi Hallowell and Son	3 50
Oscar Fernald	12 00
Daniel Burrill	1 50
O. J. Crane	20 00
Edward Hallowell	1 65
E. A. Dudley	4 00
Geo. A. Jackson	10 50
Riley Holt	8 00
Orrin Bragg	1 95
F. C. Plummer	5 00
A. D. Chadwick	15 00
E. R. Chadwick	4 00
A. P. Mosher	24 00
H. J. Haskell	7 00
G. S. Clark	12 00
Fred Gleason	6 00
C. E. Jackson	8 50
B. W. Clifford	8 00
Alex Jackson	7 25
Fred Merrill	1 50
T. S. Farrington	5 25
S. E. Starrett	3 50
Ira Haskell	3 50
C. & F. Adams	12 15

J. M. Goodspeed	12 00
Wm. Webber	10 00
J. A. Jones	8 75
C. Freeman	2 25
Freeman Mosher	5 00
Daniel White	9 00
Aaron Davis	2 25
Otis Harmon	12 00
A. G. Malcolm	17 60
John Plummer	3 00
Fred Choate	10 75
Joseph Banks	12 25
Riley Holt	3 00
Henry Arnold	6 10
Roy Clifford	2 25
Henry Lewis	11 50
L. W. Lewis	9 15
C. R. Getchell	20 25
T. M. Foster	10 00
G. L. Clark	5 00
Harry O. Doe	4 00
Lewis Messee	16 70
Abram McLaughlin	4 00
G. A. Jackson	6 25
J. E. McMitchell	2 80
G. H. Freeman	5 25
D. Y. White	2 55
J. F. Plummer	3 50
J. M. Goodspeed	25
Oscar Sibley	7 00
L. M. Sabine	8 75
Andrew Webber	8 75

E. M. Pierce	24 50
C. Hatch	23 80
Clyde Harmon	1 20
James M. McLaughlin	75
Wm. Mills	5 63
Chas. Randall	3 00
Alex. Bassett	5 75
Fred Gerald	3 50
A. P. Morrill	6 50
J. B. Morrill	5 50
Daniel Clark	5 00
J. B. Clark	2 00
Reuben Page	6 25
Fred Joy	1 00
Geo. E. Roberts & Son	5 25
W. H. Jones	8 00
Geo. F. Thurston, Jr	8 15
C. J. Main	16 00
W. S. Hunnewell & Son	15 75
H. P. Chapman	1 50
Chas. S. Bailey	5 48
C. F. Abbott	4 50
J. L. Goddard	4 50
W. F. Ward	2 50
O. O. G. Ward	10 70
F. D. Rand	9 73
F. O. Burgess	8 78
Chas. Blanchard	95
A. J. Dutton	2 85
E. T. Haskell	2 23
Thomas Norton	2 20
Edwin Lewis	1 50

W. E. Colley	26 38
W. A. Fletcher	1 50
W. H. Broad	1 50
Chas. Pinkham	3 50
E. C. Bailey	4 00
H. N. Randall	4 00
Chas. Randall	1 75
H. B. Martin	5 47
J. E. Bessie	5 70
F. A. Young	10 50
P. W. Dodge	3 58
Eli Worthing	1 80
E. J. Haskell	9 35
M. E. Morrill	12 00
E. B. Taylor	1 85
W. S. Tobey	11 00
J. H. Mosher	6 30
E. S. Kitchen	7 75
W. B. Shuman	90
Andrew Small	25 00
S. C. Starrett	16 30
E. W. Allen	1 90
Alex Jackson	1 00
Clyde Seekins	1 50
Geo Loudon	2 00
O. S. Bartlett	7 95
A. R. Burrill, lumber	4 81
F. P. McLaughlin	1 00
H. M. Crommett	3 84
E. O. Dudley	43 75
R. H. Reed	36 75
Geo. Crossman	26 25

Elwood Jones	7 00
Joseph Fernald	3 00
Archie Coburn	1 50
I. H. Reed	11 35
E. E. Haskell	2 25
Chas. Chandler	9 50
I. L. Jones	5 00
Jason Snell	13 00
E. E. Haskell	2 40
F. A. Doe	15 05
John Small	4 50
F. S. Wallace	5 75
F. O. Bonney	6 65
Wm. Cole	8 10
Otis G. Harmon	1 25
Geo. Wentworth	1 50
Geo. F. Thurston	23 40
E. F. Shaw	3 75
Willis Philbrick	8 50
W. F. Morse	14 00
C. S. Berry heirs, land damage	9 80
W. N. Ward, nails and oil	1 67
A. N. Goodwin	43 00
L. E. Jackson	5 15
F. C. Thurston	3 50
C. L. Buzzell	12 05
C. W. Jones	4 00
F. S. Mitchell	13 50
F. E. Mitchell	3 00
A. D. Abbott	3 50
Geo. Wentworth	7 00
D. S. Patterson and son	3 50

H. M. Crommett	1 11
S. J. Newell	3 30
Estelle Brainard	62
Ed. Bessey	3 00
John Small	22 25
Walter Tobey	7 00
J. R. B. Dinsmore	10 00
F. A. Young	12 25
L. B. Robinson	3 50
James Turner	5 00
Leander Haskell	5 00
Wilson Haskell	3 50
Silas Crommett	5 00
W. S. Tobey	30 00
E. L. Worthing, labor and cash for labor	57 50
Henry Tyler	3 00
Chas. F. Bessey	12 25
Ruel Parmenter	5 25
Augustus Langlois	1 50
Samuel Gerald	4 50
Alton Seco	7 95
J. N. Hall	1 00
F. E. Hall	10 00
Frank Wood	3 75
	$1,518 34

PAID ON STATE ROAD WORK.

W. E. Colley	$27 00
W. H. Jones	33 50
W. S. Hunnewell and son	28 00
Geo. F. Thurston, Jr	14 75

O. S. Bartlett	6 00
C. J. Main	26 50
W. A. Fletcher	7 50
Eugene Sprague	12 38
J. N. Hall	17 00
A. N. Goodwin	22 00
E. E. Hall	9 00
J. Raymond Hall	1 50
P. C. Thurston	16 50
F. E. Mitchell	3 00
F. S. Mitchell	7 00
Oliver Webber	7 00
Geo. F. Thurston, cedar	8 75
Eben Hallowell	12 25
Levi Hallowell and son	3 50
O. M. Fernald	5 00
A. L. Mosher	10 50
D. L. Burrill	1 50
W. O. Farrington	2 00
A. A. Malcolm	3 00
Fred Malcolm	3 45
Fred Bragg	1 50
'reeman Mosher	1 50
A. P. Mosher	8 00
	$299 58

RECEIPTS OF THE TOWN FARM SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 24, 1908.

Cash on hand Feb. 20, 1907.....	$ 19 26	
Received for eggs sold..... ..	9 89	
" Beans.....	9 75	
" Veal calves.....	135 75	
" Butter	177 18	
" Round hog.....	34 72	
" Sweet corn.....	29 49	
" Apples	1 25	
" Milk	25	
" Cows.....	80 00	
" Old stove.....	5 00	
" Use of hearse.....	5 00	
		$507 54

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for dry goods.....	$ 7 91
mowing machine, oil and sections.....	2 25
Groceries	135 22
Grain.....	176 42
Calves..... ...	12 00
2 cows.....	79 00
Phosphate.....	16 25
Pigs	17 00
Blacksmithing	10 57
Mrs. Ellis, care and board of child.....	10 00

Butchering hogs.....	3 50	
J. W. Morrill for driving hearse.....	1 00	
Horse hire.....	1 50	
Threshing grain	5 20	
Help.....	9 25	
Use male animal.....	6 00	
Seed potatoes.....	1 50	
Cash on hand, Feb. 24th.	12 97	
		$507 54

INVENTORY OF STOCK AND PRODUCE ON FARM, FEB. 24TH, 1908.

1 horse.....	$100 00
7 cows.....	280 00
4 shoats.....	38 00
35 hens.....	14 00
8 tons hay.....	80 00
2 tons straw.....	12 00
20 bushel potatoes.....	10 00
3 barrels apples.....	3 00
4 bushels beans.....	10 00
175 pounds pork.....	17 50
55 pounds ham	6 60
70 bushels oats.....	42 00
Cabbage.....	1 50
2 bushels beets.....	1 00
1 bushel turnips.....	40
2-3 barrel flour.....	4 00
1 mowing machine.....	25 00
1 horse rake.....	16 00

1 horse sled	10 00
1 wheelbarrow	2 50
3 shovels	1 50
1 manure fork	75
1 hand rake	25
1 cultivator	5 00
1 plow	4 00
1 harrow	7 00
1 hay fork and rope	5 00
1 express wagon	7 00
1 farm wagon and rack	25 00
1 iron bar	1 00
1 chain	1 00
3 harness	40 00
2 baskets	1 00
5 flour barrels	1 25
2 iron wedges	50
1 cider barrel	1 25
65 gallons cider	7 50
1 churn	5 00
1 butter worker	1 00
1 street blanket	3 00
1 sledge	75
	$792 25

INVENTORY OF ROAD MACHINERY.

1 road machine	$175 00
2 steel scrapers	10 00
2 steel drills	1 00
1 plow	10 00
	$196 00

For the third year Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur H. Taylor have had the care of the Alms house to the entire satisfaction of the Selectmen.

Our State Road work is as follows for year of 1907: Sixty rods in north part of the town opened and filled with stone with two stone culverts. Fifty rods partly completed in south part of the town turnpiked and graded. The same was accepted by the County Commissioners.

Respectfully submitted,

A. N. GOODWIN,
A. P. MOSHER,
E. L. WORTHING.
} Selectmen of China.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 24, 1908.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

RESOURCES.

Balance of unexpended school money from 1906 and 1907	$ 30 74
Town appropriation for 1907 and 1908	2000 00
State school fund	952 74
Received from the town of Palermo	12 40
Total Resources	$2995 88

EXPENDITURES.

TEACHER'S WAGES.

Amount paid teachers for spring schools	$665 00
Amount paid teachers for fall schools	705 00
Amount paid teachers for winter schools	540 80
Total amount paid teachers	$1910 80

TRANSPORTATION BILLS.

Paid for transportation for spring schools	$312 10
Paid for transportation for fall schools	326 50
Paid for transportation for winter schools	275 60
Total paid for transportation	$914 20

FUEL BILLS.

Paid for fuel as by the Superintendent's books	$92 34

RESUME OF EXPENDITURES.

Total paid for teachers wages for 1907 and 1908.....	$1910 80	
Total paid for transportation for 1907 and 1908.....	914 20	
Total cost of the schools, excluding fuel.....	———	$ 2825 00
Amount paid for the spring schools	$977 10	
" fall "	1031 50	
" winter "	816 40	
	———	$2825 00
Cost of fuel, as by the Supt. books.....		92 34
Total expenditures for 1907 and 1908.....		$2917 34
Total resources for the year 1907 and 1908...		2995 88
Total expenditures for the year 1907 and 1908		2917 34
Balance unexpended.....		$78 54

TEXT BOOK ACCOUNT.

RESOURCES.

Balance unexpended from 1906 and 1907.....	$55 73	
Town appropriation for text books for 1907 and 1908...	200 00	
Received from Ginn & Co. for old books.....	10 29	
	———	$266 02

EXPENDITURES.

Paid Ginn & Co. for text books...	$123 80
Paid Benj. Sanborn & Co. for text books.....	$7 00

Paid Edward E. Babb & Co. for books.....	19 66	
	$140 46	
Paid express and postage on books	2 85	
Total expenditures...	$143 31	
Balance unexpended..	122 71	
		$266 02

REPAIRS ACCOUNT.

RESOURCES.

Town appropriation for '07 and '08.....		$200 00

EXPENDITURES.

Balance overexpended from 1906 and 1907.....	$97 93	
Amount expended for repairs during 1907 and 1908...	126 68	
Total.....	$224 61	
Balance over expended.....	24 61	
		$200 00

SUPPLY ACCOUNT.

RESOURCES.

Balance unexpended from 1906 and 1907.....	$19 99	
Town appropriation for 1907 and 1908.....	50 00	
Total.....		$69 99

EXPENDITURES.

Amount expended for supplies in 1907 and 1908.....	5 88	
Balance unexpended.....	64 11	
		$69 99
Total number of scholars in town on the first day of April 1907.....		320
Amount of school money drawn by each scholar for the years 1907 and 1908.....		$9.224

FREE HIGH SCHOOL REPORT.

At a special meeting of the Superintending School Committee held at the town office Aug. 24, the Committee voted to divide the amount appropriated by the town for the support of Free High schools in the same manner as during the three preceding years, viz: one-half of the appropriation to be expended in the Erskine Academy and the other half to be used for a Free High school at China village, thus making with the money given by the State $250 for each school. The Erskine Academy has had as usual, three terms of school during the past year, a winter, spring and fall term. The spring term of this school was under the charge of Mr. Guy Hall, as acting principal, with his wife, Mrs. Edith Hall, as assistant. For the fall term the trustees of this school secured a new board of instructors, Arthur W. Stetson, A. B., being acting principal, and Miss Edna A. Denham, assistant. The winter term just closed was under the same instructors as during the fall term. During the fall term the number attending from China was sixteen of which all took the English Scientific course. During the winter term fourteen scholars attended from the town of China of which number one took the College Preparatory course and the rest the English Scientific. This school has fully sustained, we think, its previous reputation.

In the Village Free High school only two terms, as usual, have been held, a winter term commencing Nov. 25 and closing Jan. 31, 1908, and a spring term commencing Feb. 11, which is now in session. Both terms of this school have been under the charge of Miss Emma H. Nelson of Palermo. Miss Nelson is a successful teacher and we wish that a larger number could have availed themselves of her instruction. In this school three have pursued the College Preparatory and nine the English Scientific courses.

During the past year only nine scholars have been examined for admission to these free high schools, of which number only one successfully passed the examination, three being excluded and the balance conditioned. In closing my

high school report I will again quote from my last year's report that if our free high schools are to be continued we cannot impress too strongly upon the minds of parents as well as pupils the necessity of a thorough knowledge of the common school branches before the admission to the high school; for, unless pupils have a thorough and accurate knowledge of the fundamental and primary branches as taught in our common schools, they cannot successfully enter upon a high school course, and their educational superstructure is founded upon the sand.

COMMON SCHOOL REPORT.

We herewith submit our common town school register for the year 1907–8.

Common School Register.

Name of School.	Term.	Name of Teacher.	Enrolment.	Average attendance.	Wages per week.
Stanley Hill	Spring,	Ethel Nelson,	21	17	$5 50
	Fall,	Florence M. Brown.	20	16	8 00
	Winter,	Anna B Longfellow,	18	16	8 25
	Spring,	Ethel G. Brown,	23	20	8 00
China Village Gram	Fall,	Emma H. Nelson,	17	13	8.00
	Winter	Consolidated with Primary			
	Spring,	Grace H. Thurston,	19	17	7.00
China Village Primary Branch, Mills	Fall,	Grace H. Thurston.	19	18	7 50
	Winter,	Vena N Brown,	26	19	9 00
	Spring,	Myrtie L Crommett,	24	17	7 00
	Fall,	Myrtie L. Crommett,	20	16	7 50
	Winter,	Myrtie L. Crommett,	19	14	7 50
	Spring,	Florence A. Ward,	17	14	6 00
Dirigo	Fall,	Florence A. Ward,	13	9	6.00
	Winter,	Buford Reed,	10	8	6 00
	Spring,	Clara Jones,	11	10	5.50
Plains	Fall.	Georgie L Farnsworth	12	9	6 00
	Winter,	Georgie L. Farnsworth	12	9	7.00
	Spring,	Bessie E. Jackson,	15	13	7 00
Deer Hill	Fall,	Clara Jones,	17	11	6 00
	Winter,	Clara Jones,	15	11	7 00
	Spring,	Mrs Nelson Brown,	22	18	7.50
Weeks' Mills	Fall,	Ellen M Pierce,	23	17	7 50
	Winter,	Ellen M. Pierce,	19	17	7 50
	Spring,	Pearl Austin,	35	31	8.00
South China	Fall,	Grace M Jones,	30	24	8.00
	Winter,	Coney Webber,	34	30	8.25
	Spring,	Ellen M Pierce,	9	8	6 50
Hanson District	Fall,	Nellie B. Brann,	8	7	6.00
	Winter,	Nellie B. Brann,	8	7	6.50

The Superintending School Committee at their annual meeting, March 16, 1907, voted that the school year be divided into three terms; the Spring terms commencing April 22, and continuing ten weeks; the fall terms commencing Sept. 2 and continuing ten weeks, and the winter terms commencing Dec. 2, and continuing according to the unexpended balance of the school money left after the close of the fall terms but that this vote should not apply to the village schools. In running the schools during the year, your Superintendent has followed this vote of the Committee as strictly as possible. It was found impossible to commence the village schools until May 6, as the school building was occupied with the High school at the time set for the town schools to begin, and therefore the Spring terms of the village schools were but nine weeks, which loss of one week during the Spring terms to these schools was made up during the winter term. Upon figuring up after the close of the fall terms, it was found that we had sufficient school money left to run the winter terms eight weeks, thus making the school year to consist of twenty-eight weeks.

By reason of sickness we were obliged to close the winter term of the Deer Hill school a few days before the time set for the school to close. By an inspection of the school register it will be seen that the school in the Hanson district has again failed to maintain an average attendance of eight pupils during the past school year, and is, therefore, closed by law; but, as the Superintending School Committee has recommended its continuance for another year, we think it would be advisable under the circumstances to continue the school. The Committee at a meeting held Aug. 24th, voted that the High school money for the present year be equally divided and expended in the Erskine and China village schools. After consultation with our School Board and the State Superintendent of schools, it was found that in order to run the two terms of High school at the village, as they were entitled to by law, we should be obliged to consolidate the primary and grammar schools into one grade

during the winter term. We know that this was very unsatisfactory and a great injury to the winter term of the Village school, but it was the very best possible thing that we could do under the cicrumstances.

We think that our schools on the whole during the past year have been far above the average of previous years.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

In addition to the recommendations of previous years, it seems to me that our State laws relating to schools should be thoroughly revised or repealed, and new school statutes enacted. The longer I consider the subject the more convinced I become that our present school laws work to the disadvantage and injury of our rural schools; and I am pleased to know that our new State Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Smith, fully realizes that something must be done for our country and rural schools. I think that each town should make a special appropriation for transportation of pupils and not allow it to be taken from the common school funds as is now done.

Our transportation bills are something enormous and rob children of their schooling, which is not done in the larger towns and cities of our State. In our own town, it takes nearly one-third of our entire school money to transport our scholars to their schools, and this makes every school in our town one-third shorter than they would be were our transportation bills not allowed to be taken from our school funds.

Citizens, consider this matter and instruct our representatives to the legislature to look after the welfare and interest of our rural schools. Again I thank you for the many kindnesses shown to me as a school officer of the town.

Respectfully submitted,

G. J. NELSON,

Superintendent of Schools.

China, Feb. 28, 1908.

Report of School Committee.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 24, 1908.

The amount of school money received and expended will be found in the Superintendent's report.

We have had twenty-eight weeks of school during the entire school year. We have made repairs on the school-house at China village, also at the Branch Mills. There are some of our school buildings that will need painting the ensuing year.

The school in the Hanson district, so called, has failed to maintain the attendance required by law although we think it would be well to continue the school another year.

The Committee recommend:

1st. That $22.00 be appointed for the support of the Common Schools the ensuing year.

2nd. That $200 be appropriated for repairs on school buildings.

3rd. That $175 be appropriated for text books and $25 for supplies.

Respectfnlly submitted,

A. G. MALCOLM,
I. L. JONES,
T. E. DOE.
} Superintending School Committee.

VITAL STATISTICS—CONTINUED.

List of Births Recorded in the Town of China, Maine, from February 16, 1907 to February 25, 1908

Date of Birth	*Place of Birth*	*Name of Child*	*Name of Parents*	*Residence of Parents*
1907.				
February 20,	China, Me.	Harley Albert Buzzell,	Chas. L. and Bertha M Buzzell	China, Me.
March 1,	"	Lawrence Alton Hall,	J. Raymond and Eva M. Hall,	"
" 14,	"		Arthur and Louise M. Brillard,	"
April 30,	"	Irma Evora Small,	Arnold K. and Emma E. Small,	"
July 13,	"	Norman Loyd Haskell,	Emery T. and Emmie M. Haskell	"
" 25,	"	Gushie E Thurston,	Edward and Daisy M. Thurston,	"
August 26,	"	Elizabeth Taylor,	Ernest O. and Susie O. Taylor,	"
September 9,	"	Abbie Gilman Starkey,	Bert A. and Alwilda L Starkey,	"
" 18,	"	Austin Leroy Starrett,	Ernest R. and Aurie M. Starrett,	Athol, Mass.
" 23,	"	James Kenneth Dinsmore,	J. R. B and Winifred Dinsmore,	China, Me.
October 9,	"	Beatrice Arline Farris,	Archie C and Florence M. Farris,	"
November 3,	"	Sybil Jenney,	Warren and Geneva Jenney,	Anaconda, Mont
" 11,	"	Margaret Louise Cushing,	Walter and Flora Cushing,	China, Me.
" 16,	"	Doris Murry,	Fred and Rosa Murry,	"
December 31,	"	Leon T. Malcolm,	Allen and Tressie L Malcolm,	"
1908.				
January 1,	"	Wendell Linwood Austin,	Harry W and Lena E. Austin,	"
" 13,	"	Ena May Haskell,	Herbert J and Ella M. Haskell,	"
" 21,	"	Harriett Floretta Allen,	Charles M. and Ora L. Allen,	"

VITAL STATISTICS.

List of Marriages Recorded in the Town of China, Maine, from February 16, 1907 to February 25, 1908.

Date of Marriage		Place of Marriage	Name of Groom	Name of Bride	Residence of Groom	Residence of Bride
1907						
February	22.	China, Me	Frank Worth,	Margaret C. Lyons,	China, Me	Lynn, Mass
March	9.	Augusta, Me	Willie T. Grover,	Stella M. Ward,	Wiscassett, Me	China. Me
"	13.	China, Me.	P S. Worthing.	Clara E. Ward,	Palermo, Me	"
"	18.	"	Perley R. Merrill,	Gertrude M. Lowden,	Windsor, Me	Windsor, Me
May	1.	"	Charles Alfred Jones,	Miriam A. Main,	China, Me	China, Me
"	4.	"	Charles Dana Dixson,	Stella M. Thompson,	"	Albion, Me
"	14.	"	Fred H. Lewis,	Idella S. Dutton,	"	China, Me
June	22.	"	John W. Ulmer,	Mable J. Ellis,	Unity, Me	"
"	23.	Palermo, Me.	Edward T. Weeks,	Sadie Brown Kenny,	China, Me	Palermo, Me
"	30.	China. Me.	Fred Pelton,	Daisy Morrell,	"	China, Me
July	24.	"	Joseph H Hunnewell,	Bessie Ethel Jackson,	"	"
"	31.	"	Clarence A Hubbs,	Rose Ella Clifford,	"	Whitefield, Me
August	7.	"	Clarence B. Ellis,	Rose Estella Bryant,	"	China, Me
"	16.	"	Charles H. Stuart,	Ora E. Cooley,	"	Windsor, Me
Sept.	2.	"	Edward S. Cain.	Cassie B. Bradstreet,	Palermo, Me	Palermo, Me
October	23.	"	Arvide M. Bumps,	Susie A. Martin,	China, Me	Albion, Me
Nov.	2.	"	Delbert N. Sawyer,	Lydia Belle Morrell,	Portland, Me	China, Me
Dec.	21.	"	John D. M. Hallowell,	Flora Belle Higgins,	China, Me	Winthrop, Me
"	31.	"	George B. Brann,	Nettie M. Baker,	Albion, Me	Albion, Me
1908.						
January	1.	"	Harry G. Fowles,	Blanche M. Fletcher,	China, Me	China, Me
"	16.	"	Charles H. Dow,	Grace M. Keveen.	"	"
February	23.	"	Harry E. Scott,	Eliza E. Webber,	Vassalboro, Me	"

VITAL STATISTICS—CONTINUED.

List of Deaths Recorded in the Town of China, Maine, from February 16, 1907 to February 25, 1908

Date of Death		Place of Death	Name of Deceased	AGE Years	Months	Days	Single, Married, Widowed	Place of Birth	Place of Burial: Cemetery	Place of Burial: Town
1907.										
March	1,	China, Me.	James J. Varney,	70	9	24	M	China, Me	China Village,	China, Me.
"	8,	"	Robert A. Fletcher, Jr.		2	27	S	"	"	"
"	31,	"	Alfred H. Jones,	81	9	19	W	"	China Neck,	"
"	31,	"	Lyman A. Adams,	29	6	4	M	Madrid, Me	Weeks Mills,	"
April	1,	Augusta, Me.	James Burgess,	80			D	Vassalboro, Me		Winslow, Me.
"	10,	China, Me.	Smith Warren Place,	87	8	7	M	Gloucester, R I	South China,	China, Me.
"	11,	"	Edna C. Hunnewell,	56	11	2	M	China, Me	Lake View,	"
"	11,	"	Maud L Stinson,	32	4	5	M	Augusta, Me	Forest Grove,	Augusta, Me.
"	19,	Webster, Me.	Peace Jones,	92	2		S	China, Me	Dirigo,	China, Me.
"	20,	China, Me.	James N. Sprague,	69			M	Troy, Me		Troy, Me.
May	8,	"	Margaret E. Haskell,	60	7		M	Palermo, Me	Chadwick Hill,	China, Me.
"	15,	"	Samuel J. Starkey,	67	11	22	M	Vassalboro, Me	South China,	"
"	19,	"	Isabell B. Jackson,	74	1	27	M	Winslow, Me	Smith,	Palermo, Me.
"	29,	Palermo, Me.	Isaac Oakman,	82	9		W	Oldtown Me	Branch Mills,	"
June	3,	China, Me.	Martha A. Broad,	80	3	10	W	China, Me	China Village,	"
"	10,	"	Joseph Hatch,	85	11	20	W	"	Deer Hill,	"
"	16,	"	Isaiah Wiggin,	71	11	26	M	Albion, Me	China Village,	"
July	7,	"	George Fitzgerald,	72		4	W	Benton, Me		Benton, Me.
"	14,	"	Avery R. Webber,	15	11	28	S	China, Me	South China,	China, Me.
"	16,	Augusta, Me.	Charles W. Morrell,	56			S	Vassalboro, Me	Morrell,	"

August	6,	China, Me.	Harold M. Wixon,	3	2		S	"	South China,	"
"	6,	"	Clarkson Jones,	77	4	29	M	"	"Jones," So China,	"
"	11,	"	William H. Hammond	74		11	M	"	Deer Hill,	"
"	18.	Palermo, Me.	Pembroke S Worthing,	72	2	29	M	Palermo, Me	Branch Mills,	"
September	6,	China, Me.	Elihu Hanson,	79	4	11	M	China, Me	Weeks Mills,	"
"	26,	"	Clara J Davis,	71	6	6	M	"		Windsor, Me.
October	1,	"	Angie S. Malcolm,	12	2	5	S	"	Weeks Mills.	China, Me.
"	26,	Oak and, Me.	Leroy S. Wixon,			3	S	Oakland, Me	South China,	"
November	1,	"	Jennie Pottle Wixon,	26	9	14	M	Pittston, Me	"	"
"	2,	China, Me.	James R. Dunbar,	15	8	22	S	New York,	Deer Hill.	"
"	12,	"	Margaret L Cushing,			5	S	China, Me		Windsor, Me.
1908										
January	12,	"	Sarah Meigs,	82			W	"		Vassalboro, Me
"	13,	"	Alonzo W. Boynton,	83			M	Jefferson, Me	Chadwick Hill,	China, Me.
"	22,	"	James Barlow Fish,	85	1	5	W	Freedom, Me	China Village,	"
February	4,	"	Sarepta D. Hollowell,	71	6		W	Windsor, Me	North Windsor,	Windsor, Me.
"	13,	"	Elwood W. Jones,	55	9	3	M	China, Me	"Jones," So. China,	China, Me
"	19,	"	Mercy A. Getchell,	71	9	14	W	Newburg, Me		Winterport Me
"	21,	"	William K Edgar,	70	4		M	Boston, Mass	Deer Hill,	China, Me.

W. W. WASHBURN, Town Clerk.

Town Warrant.

NOTICE.

To THERON E DOE, a Constable in the Town of China in the County of Kennebec and State of Maine.

GREETING:—In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify the inhabitants of the said town of China qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town House in said town on Monday the ninth day of March A. D. 1908 at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

ART 1 To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

ART 2 To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

ART. 3. To choose Selectmen for the ensuing year.

ART. 4 To choose Assessors for the ensuing year.

ART. 5. To choose Overseers of Poor for the ensuing year

ART 6 To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

ART 7 To choose a member of the School Committee for a term of three years

ART. 8. To choose one or more Road Commissioners for the ensuing year and establish pay for same

ART 9 To choose an Auditor for the ensuing year.

ART. 10. To choose a Collector of Taxes and one or more Constables for the ensuing year.

ART. 11 To choose all other necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

ART. 12. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repairs of roads and bridges and the breaking down of snow.

ART. 13 To see if the town will vote yes or no upon the adoption of the provisions of Chapter 112 of the Public Laws of Maine for the year 1907, relating to the appropriation of money necessary to entitle the town to State Aid for highways for the year 1908.

ART 14 To see if the town will raise appropriate and set apart for the permanent improvement of the main highway within the town such sum of money as is contemplated and directed by Section 5 of Chapter 112 of the Public Laws of Maine for the year 1907.

ART. 15 To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the Support of the Poor.

ART. 16 To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools.

ART 17 To see what sum of money the town will vote to ra and appropriate for maintaining a Free High School.

ART. 18. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for repairs of school buildings.

ART. 19. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of writing books and other necessary school supplies.

ART 20. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of text books.

ART 21. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for Miscellaneous expenses.

ART. 22. To see what sum the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the liquidation of town bonds.

ART 23 To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the interest on town bonds.

ART. 24 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five dollars, twelve and one-half dollars to be given J P. Jones Post and the same amount to A. J. Billings Post G. A R. to help defray Memorial Day expenses.

ART. 25. To see if the town will vote to authorize its Superintending School Committee to join with either or any of the following towns, "to wit" Vassalboro and Windsor for the purpose of employing a Superintendent of Schools in accordance with the provisions of Sections 40 to 45 inclusive of Chapter 15 of the revised Statutes.

ART. 26 to see if the town will vote to instruct the School Committee to maintain a school in the Hanson District for the ensuing year.

ART 27 To see what method the town will take in relation to the collection of taxes for the ensuing year.

ART. 28. To see if the town will vote to accept the list of Jurors as as revised by the Selectmen, Town Clerk and Treasurer.

Hereof fail not and have you there this warrant with your doings thereon.

The Selectmen hereby give notice that they will be at the Town House in said town, at eight o'clock on the morning of said meeting for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands at China this twenty-seventh day of Feb. A D., 1908.

A. N. GOODWIN,
A. P. MOSHER,
E. L. WORTHING,
Selectmen of China.

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Assessor's Report.

VALUATION, 1908.

Real estate resident.....	$368,760 00	
" non-resident	50,685 00	
		$419,445 00
Personal estate resident.....	$102,325 00	
" non-resident ..	10,450 00	
		$112,775 00
Total valuation...		$532,220 00

Number of Polls, 376.

Rate of taxation, .018

Number of Polls not taxed 49.

A. N. GOODWIN,
F. O. BONNEY,
E. L. WORTHING, } Selectmen of China.

LIVE STOCK IN TOWN.

Number of Horses in Town..	492
" Colts 3 to 4 years	15
" " 2 to 3 "	27
" " 1 to 2 "	41
" Cows.....	798
" Oxen	48
" 3 years olds.....	83
" 2 year olds	156
" 1 years olds.....	199
" Sheep	1633
" Swine	264

Selectmen's Report.

RESOURCES.

Tax deeds in hands of Treasurer Feb. 24, 1909	$ 54 85
Dinsmore fund	95 00
Uncollected taxes	316 64
In hands of Cook & Small	13 67
" Williamson & Burleigh	8 77
" T. F. Doe	8 54
Cash in hands of T. E. Doe	419 22
Town tax and overlayings 1908	8,296 28
State tax	1,628 64
County tax	801 04
Refunded dog licenses	81 80
State road money due 1908	270 00
Received from State dog damage	252 60
from Town of Warren	12 77
Tuition from Albion	9 76
Tuition from Vassalboro	12 96
Tuition from Palermo	10 12
Supplementary tax	59 60
Received of Fairfield for Yorks	295 07
of Unity for Childs	31 84
on account Dinsmore fund	1 50
School fund from State 1907	952 74
Cash paid by vote of Town to build bridge at Branch Mills	1247 00
	14,878 81

MISCELLANEOUS.

EXPENDITURES.

Town appropriation	$1,000 00
Received from State for damage to domestic animals	252 50
	$1,252 50
Paid Theron E. Doe, abatement taxes 1907	$14 63
C. R. Getchell, percentage for collecting	156 49
E. L. Worthing, cash expense out of town	17 45
F. O. Bonney, " "	10 40
A. N. Goodwin, " "	30 70
M. J. Bartlett, commission, collection of taxes	2 18
G. J. Nelson, reporting births and deaths	4 25
C. H. Leach, " "	75
M. M. Small, " "	5 50
F. E. Earle, reporting births and deaths, 1907	1 25
A. P. Mosher, attending Probate Court	3 50
H. P. Reed, " "	3 50
Cyrus Cunningham, " "	3 50
W. E. Colley, sheep damage	3 00
E. O. Taylor	4 00
F. H. Lewis	15 00
W. F. Ward, sheep damage	50 00
H. N. Randall	15 00
C. E. Jackson	19 00
E. C. Bailey	12 00
F. C. Ward	7 00
F. M. Patterson	11 00
C. E. Bailey	75 50
Lottie E. Adams	11 00

A. A. Malcolm	25 00
F. O. Bonney	5 00
Geo. W. Singer, printing town reports	40 50
Theron E. Doe, use of hall	5 00
Arthur Davis, caring for body of E. Peva	2 00
Forest Hallowell, " " "	2 00
W. W. Washburn to A. N. Goodwin, stamps and envelopes	12 52
H. L. Kelley, books and stationery	15 52
Theron E. Doe, percentage on tax 1907	3 16
Newell White, dog license blanks	1 00
A. N. Goodwin, making out valuation books	15 00
Cook and Small, discount	1 58
Llewellyn Jackson, special police	10 00
C. R. Getchell, Treasurer postage	4 00
Loring, Short & Harmon, blanks	88
W. W. Washburn, insuring 3 schoolhouses	33 00
O. F. Sproul, Auditor	2 00
H. H. Hall, care town house	3 00
C. R. Getchell, killing dog	2 00
Fighting forest fires near Weeks Mills	100 05
C. R. Getchell, to abatements	152 94
	$912 75

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid A. N. Goodwin, services as Selectman	$309 00
F. O. Bonney, " "	129 50
E. L. Worthing, " "	110 00
C. R. Getchell, Road Commissioner	146 00
A. P. Mosher, "	132 85
G. J. Nelson, town physician	40 00
W. H. Jones, Moderator	2 00

J. H. Reed, ballot clerk		3 00
J. O. Fish, "		3 00
O. F. Sproul, election clerk		3 00
J. N. Hall, "		3 00
Services town clerk		10 00
Recording vital statistics		10 95
Glen W. Starkey, Supt. of Schools		100 00
I. L. Jones, services on School Board		11 00
A. G. Malcolm, " "		11 00
Theron E. Doe, " "		11 00
J. H. Mosher, Board of Health		9 00
J. E. Crossman, "		7 00
Fred Roberts, "		7 00
		$1,058 30

G. A. R.

Appropriation		$25 00
Paid A. J. Billings Post	$12 50	
James P. Jones Post	12 50	
		$25 00

PAUPER ACCOUNT.

Appropriation	$900 00
Received from Fairfield for Yorks	295 07
Received from Unity for Childs	31 84
Received from Warren for Carter	12 77
Off farm	$1,239 68
Paid Fairfield for Farris family	$ 284 39
H. R. Stinson, medical attendance Isaac Oakman	7 15
E. M. Moody for Yorks	20 50
W. R. Ward for Gurney boy	2 15

W. R. Ward for Yorks	228 27
W. R. Ward for A. Robbins	3 00
E. L. Worthing for Childs	31 84
E. L. Worthing for Yorks	39 51
Crommett & Bradstreet for Yorks	42 65
G. A. Bradstreet for Yorks	50 58
Crommett & Worthing for Yorks	35 18
G. F. Rowe for Dighton Knox	182 00
" G. W. Seco	6 27
" Dighton Knox	60 00
" Yorks	20 00
A. M. Shorey for Yorks	40 44
F. A. Doe for Yorke	72 59
E. M. Moody for Yorke	14 00
Farris family Town Fairfield	98 10
W. R. Ward for Yorks	75 19
H. P. Reed for Thompson	3 50
E. L. Worthing for Yorks	42 86
W. A. Fletcher digging graves for Frank Farris and three children	10 00
M. M. Small for Lydia York	8 00
	$1378 17

POOR ON FARM.

Paid M. H. Taylor and wife Supt. and matron of Town farm	$250 00
W. R. Ward, tubing and pump	6 55
H. P. Reed, groceries	22 17
Samuel Grindle, using dynamite in well	5 00
O. C. Hamlen, casket for Eliza Evans	20 00
	$303 72

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Appropriation		$2500 00
Received from State		270 00
		$2,770 00
Paid for breaking down snow		$ 152 57
for summer work		3050 56
		$3,203 13

SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Town appropriation		$1,650 00
Due from State School fund		1,228 08
Collected from Albion		9 76
" Vassalboro		12 96
" Palermo		10 12
		$2,910 92
Paid teachers		$1,907 25
Transportation		872 25
Fuel		171 38
		$2,950 88
Overdrawn previous years		$453 74
Overdrawn Feb. 25, 1909		$39 96

SCHOOL REPAIR ACCOUNT.

Town Appropriation		$200 00
Paid repairs	$148 41	
Over expended 1908	148 67	
		$297 08
Over expended Feb. 25, 1909		$97 08

SCHOOL SUPPLY ACCOUNT.

Town appropriation.....	$25 00	
Unexpended 1907.....	35 65	
		$60 65
Paid for supplies.....		9 00
Unexpended.....		$51 65

TEXT BOOKS.

Town appropriation.....	$175 00	
Unexpended 1907.....	55 93	
		$230 93
Paid Benj. H. Sanborn.....	$ 7 00	
Ginn & Co.....	113 51	
		120 51
Unexpended.....		$110 42

FREE HIGH SCHOOL.

Town appropriation.....	$250 00	
Due from State.....	250 00	
		$500 00
Paid Emma Nelson.....		$125 00
		125 00
		$250 00

TOWN BOND ACCOUNT.

Town appropriation.....	$1,000 00
Paid for Bond No. 36.....	500 00

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Town appropriation.....	$250 00
Paid for coupons.....	201 25
Unexpended.....	$48 75

DINSMORE FUND (IN TRUST.)

On deposit 1907	$95 00
Interest up to Jan. 15, 1909	3 82
	$98 82
Expended 1908	1 50
On deposit Feb. 25, 1909	$97 32

GENERAL STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES.

Paid for Miscellaneous expenditures		$ 912 75
Town Officers		1,058 30
G. A. R.		25 00
Pauper account off farm		1,378 17
Pauper account on farm		303 72
Highways and Bridges		3203 13
School Account		3,478 80
Town Bond No. 36		500 00
Interest		201 25
Out of Dinsmore Fund		1 50
State tax recpt. refunded dog lic. 1908		81 80
" balance tax 1907		1,190 27
County tax receipt		801 04
Building Bridge at Branch Mills		1,247 00
		$14,382 73
Resources	$14,878 81	
Expenditures	14,382 73	
		$496 08
Unpaid order		125 00
		$621 08

Leaving in the hands of C. R. Getchell, Collector and Treasurer as follows:

Tax deeds	$164 38	
Dinsmore fund (in trust)	97 32	
In hands of M. J. Bartlett for collection	11 51	
Uncollected taxes	122 48	
Cash on hand	225 39	
		$621 08

LIABILITIES.

Town Bonds	$5,200 00	
State tax unpaid	1,546 84	
Outstanding orders High School	125 00	
Outstanding orders, interest bearing	1,247 00	
		$8,118 84

AVAILABLE RESOURCES.

In hands of Collector and treasurer	$ 621 08	
Due from State School Fund	1,228 08	
Roads 1907	150 00	
Free High School	250 00	
Thompson	3 50	
Town of Vassalboro	406 95	
Oakland	242 00	
Randolph	17 50	
Belfast	3 00	
		$2,922 11
Balance against the town		$5,196 73

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct with proper vouchers on file for same.

O. F. SPROUL,

Auditor of Accounts for the town of China.

China, Me., Feb. 27th, 1909.

PAID FOR BREAKING SNOW WINTER 1907 AND 1908

Wetzler, John	labor.....	$ 6 00
Marden, W. H.	"	4 25
Emerson, C. W.	"	30
Austin, J. W.	"	70
Jones, Willis	"	70
Freeman, Chas. H.	"	2 05
Goodspeed, J. M.	"	30
Crane, O. J.	"	30
Jerolman, W. R.	"	23
Morse, Frank	"	4 00
Crommett, H. M.	"	6 42
Haskell, H. J.	"	4 35
Hysom, D. L.	"	1 50
Higgins, Chas.	"	60
Morrill, W. A.	"	35
Brown, F. L.	"	15
Pierce, E. W.	"	6 50
Hatch, C. R.	"	5 00
Harmon, C. W.	"	2 85
Jackson, Alex.	"	2 75
Clifford, B. W.,	"	3 20
Gleason, Fred	"	75
Taylor, E. C.	"	2 50
Clark, J. B.	"	2 50
Webber, Coney M.	"	1 50
Jackson, Geo.	"	3 50
Hallowell, Forest H.	"	2 00
Goodwin, A. N.	"	4 50
Cole, William	"	5 20
Handy, C. L. P.	"	2 54
Crossman, G. M.	"	1 50

McCartney, Chas.	"	1 50
Reed, R. H.	"	1 50
Dudley, E. A.	"	75
Haskell, Edgar	"	25
Haskell, E. E.	"	30
Pullen, Perry	"	70
Haskell, W. E.	"	3 70
Turner, James	"	50
Small, John	"	3 75
Thurston, A. N.	"	5 50
Thurston, Elmer	"	5 00
Thurston, Everett	"	3 00
Thurston, Edward	"	3 00
Parmenter, Ruel	"	8 00
Young, F. A.	"	6 15
Parmenter, Erville	"	25
Tobey, W. S.	"	30
Talbot, Henry	"	1 95
Thurston, G. F.	"	11 00
McLaughlin, J. A.	"	75
Bonney, F. O.	"	5 03
Tyler, Gardner	"	6 45
Dodge, P. W.	"	2 90
Beale, C. T.	"	75
Freeman, B.	"	60
		$152 57

PAID FOR LABOR ON HIGHWAY.

SUMMER 1908.

Pierce, E. W.	labor.....	$ 7 95
Choate, Alfred	"	1 50
Thomas, Michael	"	50
Mosher, A. L. & Son	"	10 50

Hatch, C. R.	"	.....	1 75
Malcolm, A. G.	"	.....	3 00
Doe, H. O.	"	.....	3 50
Webber, Wm.	"	.....	5 50
Fernald, Joseph	"	.....	1 50
Frye. Chas.	"	.....	1 50
Masse, Lewis	"	.....	54 30
Jackson, L. E.	"	.....	1 00
Louden, Geo.	"	.....	6 00
Cook, James	"	.....	45
Hannon, Otis	"	.....	45
White, D. Y.	"	.....	4 75
Bragg, Fred	"	.....	1 00
Chadwick, A. D.	"	.....	50
McLaughlin, James C.	"	.....	4 50
Crommett, H. M.	"	.....	7 00
Hallowell, Levi & Son	"	.....	7 00
Jackson, C. E	"	.....	7 00
Webber, Andrew	"	.....	11 00
Peva, Eugene	"	.....	1 00
Malcolm, Fred	"	.....	1 50
Haskell, W. E.	"	.....	1 50
Crommett, H. M.	"	.....	7 00
Mosher, A. P.	"	.....	1 25
Hatch, C. R.	"	.....	5 00
Tobey, Walter	"	.....	24 00
Burrill, A. R.	"	.....	23 84
Choat, Fred	"	.....	14 75
Clark, C. B.	"	.....	2 00
Freeman, Philander	"	.....	75
Reed, H. P.	"	.....	3 14
Dodge, P. W.	"	.....	6 00
Small, Arnold	"	.....	1 50

Fitzgerald, Fred	"	2 00
Abbott, C. F.	"	2 00
Goodwin, A. N.	"	6 00
Philbrick, Willis	"	2 25
Haskell, H. J.	"	1 50
McLellan, Fred, plank and labor		27 36
Allen, C. W.	labor	6 73
Philbrick, W.	"	1 90
Hall, J. N.	"	2 00
Crommett, H. M.	"	67
Bonney. F. O.	"	3 80
Lamere, David	"	5 00
Hallowell. A. J.	"	1 60
Morrell, W. A.	"	40
Haskell, C. I.	"	5 00
Gerald, Geo.	"	9 00
Crossman, G. M.	"	3 00
Moody, E. M.	"	1 50
Burgess, F. O.	"	1 45
Ellis, Fred, plank		6 00
Getchell, C. R.	labor	50
Bailey, Chas.	"	3 50
Abbott, A. D.	"	3 50
Roberts, Geo. & Son	"	8 00
Thurston, G. F., Jr.	"	2 00
Getchell, C. R.	"	39 85
Bragg, Bert	"	3 00
Fletcher, W. A.	"	4 50
Bragg, A. A.	"	4 50
Bragg, Fred	"	4 50
Gerald, Geo.	"	1 50
Seco, Alton	"	1 50
Grindle, S. H.	"	10 75

Snell, Jason	"	1 50
Rowe, G. F.	"	10 80
Jones, Linwood	"	3 15
Plummer, J. F.	"	2 00
Arnold, Henry	"	8 28
Malcolm, Fred	"	10 50
Hollowell, Edward	"	4 50
Adams, Charles	"	14 00
Webber, Edward		7 00
Sibley, Oscar		7 00
Webber, Andrew & Son		61 50
Randall, Charles		9 30
Webber, W. R.		1 50
Whitehouse, D. W.	labor	3 00
Sabine, M. L.	"	19 00
Randall, John	"	1 65
Page, Nelson	"	1 50
Chadwick, A. D.	"	15 05
Clark, G. S.	"	6 70
Clark, J. B.	"	7 50
Clark, D. L.	"	5 75
Freeman, Philander	"	3 75
Joy, Fred	"	5 75
Morrill, J. B.	"	5 50
Morrill, A. P.	"	9 35
Clark, Charles	"	8 00
Clark, G. L.	"	7 00
Fitzgerald, Fred	"	6 50
Hallowell, N. T.	"	5 00
" A. J.	"	5 00
" R. E.	"	6 80
" J. D. M.	"	1 50
Ellis, J. P. and Son	"	9 00

Gerald, George	"	.....	6 75
Wentworth, E. E.	"	.....	6 75
Mitchell, F. S.	"	.....	45
Morse, Frank	"	.....	1 50
Bailey, Charles	"	.....	2 50
Emerson, C. W.	"	.....	30
Freeman, Charles	"	.....	2 20
Thurston, P. C.	"	.....	1 75
Abbott, A. D.	"	.....	1 05
Cates, J. A.	"	.....	1 50
Colley, W. E.	"	.....	1 75
Starkey, G. A.	"	.....	1 50
Ward, W. W.	"	.....	5 18
Reynolds, Geo.	"	.....	2 50
Webber, O. A.	"	.....	75
Davis, Ed.	"	.....	45
Farris, Archie	"	.....	4 50
Haskell, H. J.	"	.....	60
Dodge, P. W.	"	.....	10 50
Crummett, H. M.	"	.....	7 55
Beal, C. T.	"	.....	1 50
Bonney, F. O.	"	.....	14 75
Mitchell, F. S.	"	.....	7 50
Wentworth, Geo.	"	.....	3 50
Abbott, A. D.	"	.....	3 50
Mishon, Edward	"	.....	4 70
Jackson, Charles	"	.....	6 00
Mosher, J. H.	"	.....	22 63
McMitchell, J. E.	"	.....	2 25
Fernald, O. M.	"	.....	9 25
Hallowell, Levi and Son	"	.....	19 50
Hallowell, Eben	"	.....	17 50
Mosher, A. L.	"	.....	13 25

Crane, O. J.	"	.....	28 00
Freeman, Geo.	"	.....	10 50
Peva, Eugene	"	.....	5 00
Peva, Frank	"	.....	2 00
Stuart, Albert	"	.....	6 22
Hubbard, Chas.	"	.....	3 50
Jones, J. A.	"	.....	14 00
Goodspeed, J. M.	"	.....	14 00
Haskell, J. H.	"	.....	3 00
Freeman, C. H.	"	.....	9 55
Fernald, J. S.	"	.....	3 00
Jerolman, Walter	"	.....	1 50
Weeks, Edward	"	.....	17 50
Haskell, Bert	"	.....	5 25
Norton, Thomas	"	.....	7 50
Colburn, Archie	"	.....	5 25
Jackson, L. E.	"	.....	9 00
Haskell, H. J.	"	.....	26 50
Mosher, A. P.	"	.....	3 50
Small, John	"	.....	10 50
Worthing, Edson	"	.....	1 75
Doe, Frank A.	"	.....	2 25
Estes, Deane	"	.....	10 00
Marden, W. O.	"	.....	4 50
Small, John	"	.....	4 50
Gerald, Geo.	"	.....	14 25
Fletcher, W. A.	"	.....	1 50
Main, C. J.	"	.....	1 50
Mitchell, F. S.	"	.....	1 50
Mitchell, F. E.	"	.....	3 00
Wentworth, E. E.	"	.....	9 50
Haslen, Will	"	.....	3 00
Ward, E. A. and Son	"	.....	8 50

Goodwin, A. N.	"	.....	1 50
Bartlett, O. S.	"	.....	75
Woodman, J.	"	.....	1 50
Ward, F. W.	"	.....	7 25
Goddard, John	"	.....	2 25
Blanchard, Chas.	"	.....	1 50
Crossman, Geo.	"	.....	10 00
Haskell, E. W.	"	.....	10 00
Reed, I. H.	"	.....	3 50
Tobey, W. S.	"	.....	10 50
Jones, C. W.	"	.....	5 25
Thurston, Perley	"	.....	1 75
Morse, Frank	"	.....	5 00
Wentworth, Geo.	"	.....	5 25
Abbott, A. D.	"	.....	3 50
Gerald, Fred	"	.....	3 50
Randall, H. N.	"	.....	1 75
Pinkham, C. A.	"	.....	1 75
Ward, O. N. G.	"	.....	10 50
Rand, Frank	"	.....	7 00
Bailey, Chas.	"	.....	8 75
Abbott, C. F.	"	.....	12 50
Jackson, Alex.	"	.....	14 00
Jackson, Geo. A.	"	.....	14 00
Jackson, Chas. E.	"	.....	17 50
Holt, Riley E.	"	.....	1 50
Cook, James	"	.....	18 00
Seekins, Clyde	"	.....	3 75
Gleason, Fred	"	.....	6 00
McLaughlin, Abram	"	.....	20 00
McLaughlin, J. A.	"	.....	14 37
Malcolm, A. A.	"	.....	12 02
Hatch, C. R.	"	.....	27 00

Malcolm, A. G.	"	37 00
Reed, H. P.	"	14 75
McLaughlin, James	"	9 00
Banks, J. A.	"	11 00
White, D. Y.	"	19 00
Hannon, Otis	"	12 45
Bowden, Silas	"	10 50
Crommett, H. M.	"	23 75
Getchell, C. R.	"	40 50
Cates, J. A.	"	29 00
Grindle, S. H.	"	29 25
Wentworth, E. E.	"	1 50
Fletcher, W. A.	"	1 50
Bragg, A. A.	"	1 50
Hall, F. E.	"	75
Tobey, W. S.	"	10 50
Cates, J. A.	"	4 00
Getchell, C. R. plank and labor		1 50
Hallowell, Edward	labor	1 05
Hallowell, E. S.	"	1 50
Seekins, C. E.	"	1 80
Morrill, Wesley	"	3 50
Jackson, C. E.	"	9 62
Jackson, Alex	"	10 38
Clifford, Will	"	13 49
Thomas, Michael	"	1 00
Webber, Oliver	"	50
Mitchell, F. E.	"	1 25
Fish, Geo.	"	30
Haskell, C. I.	"	4 00
Fry, C. E.	"	5 00
Hall, F. E., plank		4 29
Haskell, W. E.	labor	6 60

Haskell, E. W., & Son	"	.....	5 00
Hall, F. E.	"	.....	7 00
Parmenter, S. G.	"	.....	1 70
Reynolds, Geo.	"	.....	2 00
Turner, J. L.	"	.....	9 00
Morse, Frank	"	.....	5 00
Langlois, Augustus	"	.....	2 37
Wentworth, E. E.	"	.....	3 00
Grindle, S. H.	"	.....	15 00
Getchell, C. R.	"	.....	11 00
Bailey, Charles	"	.....	50
Sprague, Eugene	"	.....	75
Thurston, P. C.	"	.....	7 00
Haskell, W. E.	"	.....	3 50
Webber, Andrew	"	.....	12 25
Small, Andrew	"	.....	4 00
Austin, James,	"	.....	3 50
Webber, Coney	"	.....	7 00
Reynolds, Geo.	"	.....	12 00
Toby, Walter	"	.....	18 0
Snell, Jason	"	.....	12 95
Small, John	"	.....	7 00
Parmenter, Elville	"	.....	5 00
Jones, J. L.	"	.....	3 50
Worthing, Eli	"	.....	2 25
Marden, W. O.	"	.....	3 00
Parmenter, R. E.	"	.....	2 55
Bartlett, O. S.	"	.....	75
Randall, H. N.	"	.....	1 50
Main, C. J.	"	.....	1 05
Wentworth, E. E.	"	.....	1 50
Lewis, Ed.	"	.....	1 0
Goodwin, A. N.	"	.....	1 50

Hall, F. E.	"	.....	75
Emerson, C. W.	"	.....	6 00
Small, Andrew,	"	.....	9 00
Haskell, Wesley	"	.....	6 00
Haskell, Ira	"	.....	10 50
Fry, Charles	"	.....	8 00
Haskell, I. H.	"	.....	3 75
Reynolds, Geo.	"	.....	22 50
Small, John	"	.....	6 00
Getchell, C. R.	"	.....	83 25
Cates, J. A.	"	.....	21 00
Grindle, S. H.	"	.....	26 00
Parmenter, Elvill	"	.....	3 00
Marden, W. O.	"	.....	3 00
Thurston, Edward	"	.....	3 00
Young, F. A.	"	.....	15 50
Cates, J. A.	"	.....	11 00
Getchell, C. R.	"	.....	34 75
Webber, Olive	"	.....	2 00
Goodspeed, Jud	"	.....	2 00
Abbot, A. D.	"	.....	60
Paid freight on road machiue axle.....			50
Aeed, A. H. spikes.....			3 60
Ward, W. R. spikes and plow points.....			4 70
Moody, Mrs. Ezra heirs, labor.....			9 80
Kitchen, F. S. watering place.....			3 00
Ward Abbie	"	.....	3 00
Thurston, A. O. labor.....			8 00
Buxton & Son Co., culverts.....			9 30
Proctor & Bowie Co., dynamite.....			3 81
Conant, C. M. & Co., road machine.....			212 50
Conant, C. M. & Co., plate, road machine....			8 50
Black, A. B. repairs to road machine.....			11 50

Canton Bridge Co., culverts	60 48
Buxton & Son, iron pipe	5 25
Proctor & Bowie, fuse and caps	1 57
Hanson Webber & Dunham, drills	4 86
	$2,410 56

PAID FOR LABOR ON STATE ROAD

Jones, J. A.	$ 3 50
Fry, Charles	4 50
Mosher, J. H.	46 25
Mosher, A. P.	10 00
Chadwick, Abner	75
Emerson, Chester	19 50
McMitchell, J. E.	19 00
Crane, Oscar	46 15
Goodspeed, Jud	22 25
Estes, Dean	25 55
Fennington, Will	21 00
Jackerson, Geo.	5 25
Hall, F. E.	15 00
Hall, Bert	19 50
Wentworth, E. E.	1 50
Hallowell, A.	8 25
Sabine, Linwood	22 75
Webber, Andrew	22 75
Hallowell, Levi & Son	13 00
Freman, Charles	14 75
Dodge, P. G	15 75
Small, Andrew	4 50
Haskell, Wesley	12 75
Mosher, Gus and Son	11 75
Fernald, O. M	15 00
Ellis, Clarence	1 50

Plaisted, Fred	1 50
Ward, Ezra	10 50
Starrett, Sam	4 25
Freman, Geo	7 50
Mosher, B. H	1 00
Grindle, S. H	6 00
Haskell, C. I	7 50
Jerolman, Walter	7 00
Getchell, C. R	48 70
Culverts	33 60
Dynamite	10 00
	$540 00

AMOUNT EXPENDED ON BRIDGE AT BRANCH MILLS.

Paid J. N. Hall, labor	$ 12 00
Alfred Stewart, labor	73 50
W. S. Tobey, lumber	4 50
I. H. Reed, labor	50 00
J. A. Cates, labor	75 00
C. R. Getchell, labor	152 00
Freight bill	10 75
E. L. Worthing, rope	7 25
C. R. Getchell, moving bridge	5 00
E. L. Worthing, labor	75 75
Dean Estes, split rock	10 00
Harriett Estes, board	65 40
W. O. Marden, labor	7 50
Philip Childs, labor	5 25
Joseph Parmenter, labor	2 25
S. G. Parmenter, sharpening drills and blacksmithing	12 00

John Small, split rock		10 00
John Small, labor		94 00
Augustus Stewart,	labor	54 00
R. H. Reed,	"	33 00
E. T. Dodge.	"	21 00
H. M. Crommett,	"	7 00
Alfred Stewart,	"	7 00
F. O. Bonney,	"	63 00
C. O. Dow,	"	45 00
L. E. Aldred, split rock and land damage		20 00
C. R. Hatch, labor		28 00
Procter & Bowie, use of derrick		15 00
Procter & Bowie, lime rope and cement		58 85
Canton Bridge Co , for iron bridge		223 00
		$1,247 00

RECEIPTS OF THE TOWN FARM SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 18, 1909.

Cash on hand Feb. 24, 1908	$ 12 97	
Received for butter sold	174 59	
" beans sold	2 50	
" veal calves sold	76 00	
" cows sold	55 00	
" eggs sold	29 06	
" flour barrels	2 25	
" apples sold	3 00	
" round hog sold	62 05	
" hay sold	4 00	
" straw sold	5 50	
		$426 92

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for groceries	$127 66	
Dry goods	7 17	
Grain	145 54	
Blacksmithing	11 45	
Hardware	9 64	
Mowing machine oil and sections	2 25	
Separator	35 00	
Creamery pans	1 00	
Fertilizer	23 56	
Seed	1 65	
Bug death	1 25	
Butchering	3 70	
Threshing	4 00	
Digging well	13 00	
Hired help	16 00	
Pig	9 40	
Calves	5 25	
Cash on hand Feb. 18, 1909	9 40	
		426 92

INVENTORY OF ROAD MACHINE.

2 road machines	$250 00
2 steel scrapers	10 00
2 steel drills	1 00
1 plow	8 00
	$269 00

INVENTORY OF STOCK AND PRODUCE ON FARM FEBRUARY 18, 1909.

1 horse	$100 00
4 cows	100 00

2 shoats	15 00
35 hens	14 00
5 tons hay	50 00
1 ton straw	6 00
40 bushels potatoes	24 00
2 bushels beans	5 00
200 pounds pork	20 00
75 pounds fresh pork	7 50
50 bushels oats	35 00
1 mowing machine	25 00
1 horse rake	15 00
20 bushels corn	25 00
1 horse sled	10 00
1 cider barrel	1 25
30 gallons vinegar	4 50
1 wheel barrow	2 50
2 shovels	1 00
1 manure fork	50
1 hand rake	25
1 cultivator	5 00
1 plow	4 00
1 harrow	7 00
1 hay fork and rope	5 00
1 express wagon	6 00
1 farm wagon and rack	25 00
1 iron bar	1 00
1 ox chain	1 00
2 harness	40 00
2 baskets	1 00
2 iron wedges	50
5 flour barrels	1 00
1 churn	5 00
1 butter worker	1 00

1 street blanket	2 75
1 sledge	75
1 separator	35 00
2 pitch forks	75
	$603 25

RESIDENT DELINQUENT TAX PAYERS.

Henry Butterfield	$ 3 00
Charles Blanchard	3 66
Harry Cole	3 00
Cyrus Davis	3 00
Perley Downes	3 45
Frank Denton	4 44
William Doe	3 45
Charles E. Frye	12 17
C. A. Higgins	3 39
F. T. Haskell	3 36
J. D. M. Hallowell	5 10
George Harrington	3 00
W. M. Hallowell	3 00
Martin Hamlin	3 00
George A. Jackson	1 81
Floyd Jones	4 80
Augustus Langlois	12 00
W. C. Mosher	3 00
George W. Norton	4 35
J. H. Pearson	5 00
A. D. Sprague	2 00
Henry Tyler	4 44
Frank Wood	7 59

Eli Worthing	2 45
F. C. Ward	7 68
Oliver Webber	10 34
	$122 48

This is the fourth year Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Taylor have had the care of the Town Farm to the satisfaction of the Selectmen. Many improvements have been made, among the most noteworthy is a cream separator, and a well sunk at the soueh end of the barn which secures an abundance of water and a valuable necessity to the farm. One has died the past year, Eliza Evans, and two have been added, a mother and child.

Our State Road work is as follows for the year 1909: one hundred forty-five rods in the south end of the town, opened and filled with stone, under the direction and supervision of the State Road Commissioner, with one stone culvert and two iron culverts. The same was accepted by the State Road Commissioner.

Respectfully submitted

A. N. GOODWIN,
F. O. BONNEY,
E. L. WORTHING,
} Selectmen of China.

Report of Superintendent of Schools.

FINANCIAL REPORT AS SHOWN BY THE SUPERINTENDENT'S BOOKS.

COMMON SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Balance unexpended from last year	$ 78 54	
Town appropriation.....	1,650 00	
Stete fund.....	1,228 08	
Tuition received from Albion.....	9 76	
" " Vassalboro .	12 96	
" " Palermo....	10 12	
" " Windsor ...	36 72	
Total resources.....		$3,026 18
Expended for teaching, spring term	$618 75	
" " fall term..	737 50	
" " winter term	551 00	
Expended for transportation spring term	272 25	
Expended for transportation, fall term.....	342 50	
Expended for transportation, winter term.....	262 00	
	$2,784 00	
Expended for fuel for year.....	169 88	
Total expenditures...		$2,953 88
Balance unexpended..		$72 30

TEXT BOOK ACCOUNT.

Balance unexpended from last year	$122 71	
Town appropriation.....	175 00	
		$297 71
Due Ginn & Co., books.....	174 73	
" " "	4 37	
		$179 10
Balance unexpended..		$118 61

SUPPLY ACCOUNT.

Balance unexpended from last year	$64 11	
Town appropriation.....	25 00	
		$89 11
Due D. H. Knowlton & Co	$ 4 68	
Ginn & Co.....	15 00	
Miscellaneous..... .	6 12	
		$25 80
Balance unexpended..		$63 31

REPAIR ACCOUNT.

Town appropriation..... ..		$200 00
Balance over expended last year...	$ 24 61	
Expended for repairs (1908 and 1909).....	134 15	
		$158 76
Balance unexpended..		$41 24

HIGH SCHOOL REPORT.

The town high school appropriation, together with the aid received from the State, has been divided equally between the High school at the village and Erskine Academy. The China Village school has been in charge of Miss Emma H. Nelson who has done conscientious work with the few under her instruction. The small number of pupils however has necessarily made the classes small and has lessened the interest. The question as to whether this school should be continued has been very much discussed, and should be considered by the town at its annual meeting.

The law leaves three courses open to the town. in the disposal of its high school funds.

The first is simply the votiug of money to be used in paying high school tuitions, in which case the town must pay the tuition up to thirty dollars, a year, of any child attending a school of standard grade.

The second is to establish one or two free high schools of its own, one of which must be of standard grade, if the town wishes to be exempt from having to pay tuition of children not attending either of the town high schools.

The third is to instruct its school committee to contract with some academy in the town for the education of its high school scholars.

In either of the two last cases, a specific vote of the town is required to make it legal. Under the last case additional money may be voted for maintaining a second high school if desired, and it need not be of standard grade. It seems to me that the whole matter should be seriously considered from all sides before a vote is taken.

The criticism has been made by many people that the standard of our high schools is not high enough, and I believe the criticism is a just one. It is not right however, to

place the blame upon the schools themselves. One great reason for this condition is that many enter the high school without enough preparation, and find it necessary to do a great deal of review work before they are able to take the regular high school studies. It is a sad mistake to handicap a child at the beginning of his high school course by making him undertake work for which he is not prepared, as it serves only to discourage him and make very hard what ought to be the most pleasant and profitable part of his school life. I believe that the intended grading of the common schools will in a large measure overcome this difficulty although more than one or even two years will be required to accomplish the result.

COMMON SCHOOL REPORT

During the past year, China, like many other towns in the state has had its first experience with district supervision of its common schools. Those who have looked for radical changes to be made at once in our school system have doubtless been disapointed, but it has been deemed best not to attempt to revolutionize nor to disturb too much the workings of the schools along the lines previously followed. After talking with many different superintendents I feel sure that our schools are far in advance of a very large number in different parts of the state. This must in a great measure be due to the efficient work of your former local superintendent, Dr. Nelson, to whom I am personally indebted for much valuable assistance during the year.

That certain well defined changes have been begun may be seen from the general policy of the school management which has been:

1st. To secure the best teachers that our means could

afford, in certain cases the wages paid being in excess of the customary amount.

2nd. To make a complete record of the text books in use in the different schools as well as those which are on hand but not in use.

3rd. To gain as intimate a knowledge as possible of the work actually being done and of the methods employed, to which end every school has been visited at least three times each term and oftentimes more than that.

4th. To make a provisional classification of the children into grades, leading up to the regular grading of the schools which I feel should be done another year. In regard to the last item I think the result would be best accomplished by the adoption of a course of study suitable to the needs of the sehools whereby the total work to be taken up would be divided into years and arranged in logical order so that no one study should be neglected.

With few exceptions the schools have run smoothly and good progress has been made. The winter term in several cases was considerably broken up by sickness but probably no more than was to be expected in that season. It was necessary to consolidate the two schools at the village into one as was done last year.

COMMON SCHOOL REGISTER

			Total Reg.	Av. Att.	Wages
Stanley Hill	Spring	Florence Ward	16	15	$ 7 00
	Fall	" "	21	18	7 00
	Winter	" "	13	12	7 50
China Gram'r	Spring	Emma H. Nelson	14	21	8 00
	Fall	" "	19	17	8 00
	Winter	Consolidated with Primary			
China Primary	Spring	Grace H. Thurston	18	14	7 25
	Fall	" "	18	17	6 25
	Winter	Lillian O. Leeman	27	22	10 00
Branch Mills	Spring	Myrtie L. Crommett	20	17	7 00
	Fall	" "	15	11	7 50
	Winter	" "	13	11	7 50

Drigo	Spring	Annabel Jones	16	13	6 00
	Fall	Jennie Chadwick	17	16	7 00
	Winter	" "	12	12	7 50
Plains	Spring	Georgia Farnsworth	15	12	6 50
	Fall	" "	12	12	6 50
	Winter	Nellie B. Brann	11	10	6 50
Deer Hill	Spring	Inez V. Hisler	18	16	6 00
	Fall	" "	17	14	7 00
	Winter	Gertrude Jordan	13	11	6 00
Weeks Mills	Spring	Ellen M Pierce	21	17	7 00
	Fall	" "	24	21	7 50
	Winter	Grace " Jones	23	18	8 00
S China	Spring	Enda A Denham	36	31	8 00
	Fall	A. Louise Rowe	33	31	10 00
	Winter	" "	36	31	1[illegible] 66
Hanson	Spring	Carrie B Co e	9	8	6 00
	Fall	Annie B. Doe	7	6	6 00
	Winter	Rebekah Martin	7	6	6 00

Throughout the year our teachers have shown themselves ready and willing to do everything possible for the best interests of the schools and have heartily co-operated with the school officials in the attempt to make the schools maintain a good standard. Although widely separated from each other they have attended the teachers' meetings almost in a body.

It is to be regretted that more cannot take some special training before entering the schoolroom as teachers and I believe that in the near future our state laws will make greater requirements in regard to the training of the teaching force than at present. The fact that several who have taught in this town during the year are now attending Normal School shows that they realize more than ever the importance of special preparation for the work. I hope that next year provision may be made so that our teachers may have several days together for the purpose of receiving instruction in the best methods by which to bring about the best results.

The school in the Hanson district has failed to maintain the legal average attendance of eight scholars for the

year but it seems necessary that the school be kept in operation on account of the long distance over which the children would have to be transported to another school.

While the average attendance in all of the schools has been fairly satisfactory, too much stress cannot be laid on the fact that the loss of a single day unless absolutely necessary is a thing which should be considered of especial importance. The shortness of our school year makes it imperative that each day be made to count for as much as possible. Your superintendent's special recommendations for the coming year are:

1st. That a uniform course of study for all the schools be adopted containing if possible a detailed outline of the work to be done each year.

2nd. That the children be encouraged in carrying on the work of the School Improvement League, whose field of operation has already been considerably extended in the town.

3rd. That some additional text books in reading for the younger children be provided. If at least a part of the schools could be furnished with maps and charts it would effect a saving in our text book expenditure for years to come.

It is earnestly hoped that the people of the town will make it a point to visit the schools and see for themselves the kind of work that is being done, and that they will offer suggestions for improvement to someone who can act upon them.

I wish to express my appreciation of the courtesy which has been extended me throughout the year as a school official of this town.

Respectfully submitted,

GLENN W. STARKEY.

Report of School Committee.

To the Citizens of the Town of China:

We submit our annual report for the year ending February 18, 1909.

According to vote of town taken at its last annual meeting to unite with the town of Vassalboro for a union superintendent of schools, the school committee of China met with the school board of Vassalboro and elected Mr. Glenn W. Starkey superintendent, under whose supervision our schools have been for the past year.

Mr. Starkey has labored well for the upbuilding of our schools.

The amount of money received and expended will be found in the superintendent's report.

The schoolhouse at China village has been thoroughly repaired inside and out during the past two years.

The school at South China ranks as one of our very largest schools as the school register will show. This is the

only school in town where the old fashioned wooden desks are in use. The schoolhouse needs shingling and inside repairs are necessary. We recommend that the appropriation for repairs be increased to meet this need.

The school in the Hanson District, so called, has failed to maintain the average attendance as required by law. We recommend the continuance of same another year.

The committee recommend,

1st. That $2000 be raised for the support of the common schools the ensuing year.

2nd. That $225 be appropriated for repairs on school buildings.

3rd. That $175 be raised for text books and $30 for supplies.

Respectfully submitted,

I. L. JONES,
THERON E. DOE,
A. G. MALCOLM,
} School Committee.

VITAL STATISTICS.

List of Marriages Recorded in the Town of China from February 26, 1908 to February 26, 1909.

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name of Groom	Name of Bride	Residence of Groom	Residence of Bride
1908					
February 26,	Windsor, Me.,	Franklin F. Noyes,	Ethel Mosher Lincoln,	China, Me.,	China, Me.
March 7,	China, Me.,	Albert W. Haskell,	Georgie Sprague,	"	"
May 6,	Augusta, Me ,	Stephen A Strong,	Nellie Darling Clark,	Vassalboro, Me.,	"
" 24,	China, Me ,	William F Brown,	Nellie Alice Malcolm,	China, Me.,	"
June 13,	"	Alton F. Hussey,	Jennie M Fletcher,	Vassalboro, Me.,	"
" 17,	Franklin, N H.,	Thomas W. Washburn,	Estelle May Doe,	China, Me ,	Vassalboro, Me
September 10,	China, Me.,	Horatio F. Farrington,	Ida Mae Merrill,	"	Windsor, Me.
" 13,	Palermo, Me.,	Frank A Norton,	Blanche E. Black,	"	Palermo, Me.
" 30,	China, Me ,	James L. Simpson,	Ola N Kittredge,	Winslow, Me ,	Winslow, Me.
October 14,	"	George W. Stevens,	Winnifred J Gilman,	Benton Me.,	China, Me.
" 28.	"	Frank Leslie Taylor,	Georgie Randall,	Waterville, Me.,	"
November 4,	Augusta, Me.,	Albert Hallowell,	Frances E. Pierce,	China, Me.,	Windsor, Me.
" 18,	Newton, Mass ,	Warren Reed Brown,	Bertha Crane Stone,	"	Newton, Mass.
" 29,	Windsor, Me ,	Harold J. Charles,	Inez V. Hisler,	"	Windsor, Me
December 24,	Searsmont, Me ,	Joseph L. Bragg,	Addie Page Hutchins,	"	Waltham, Mass
" 25,	China, Me ,	George A. Jackson,	Almetta M. Richards,	"	China, Me.
" 29,	Somerville, Me.,	Edward L. Peterson,	Addie F. Spicer,	Gardiner, Me.,	"

VITAL STATISTICS—CONTINUED.

List of Births Recorded in the Town of China from February 26, 1908 to February 26, 1909.

Date of Birth		*Place of Birth*	*Name of Child*	*Name of Parents*	*Residence of Parents*
1908					
February	11,	China, Me	Lloyd Frederick Fitzgerald,	Fred and Ella Fitzgerald	China, Maine.
April	21,	"	Bert Alonzo York,	Alonzo B. and Lydia A York,	"
June	21,	"	Ardelle Maurice Bumps,	Arvide M. and Susie A Bumps,	"
"	27,	"	Madeline Dudley Valenta,	George J and Madeline Valenta,	Philadelphia Pa.
July	29,	"	Velma Abbie Seekins,	Clyde E and Fannie E Seekins	China, Maine.
August	12,	"	Donald Merton Gordon,	Frank M and Florence M Gordon	"
"	28,	"	Lena Bassett	Alexander C and Bertha Bassett,	"
Sept	11,	"	Jennie Maxfield Haskell,	Wesley and Elva E Haskell.	"
October	11,	"	Carrie Belle Hallowell	John D. M and Flora B Hallowell	"
"	28,	"	Dorothy Louise Phillips,	Raymond E. and Louis Phillips	Worcester, Mass
"	29,	"		Eugene H and Clara Willette,	China, Maine.
November	22,	"	Charles Shelby Randall	Charles H and L Francis Randall	"
"	24,	"	Kenneth Starkey Gerald,	John F and Annie W Gerald,	"
December	11,	"	Marion Willette	George and Minnie Willette,	"
"	13,	"	Halstead Sproul Clifford,	Roy L and Mary W. Clifford,	"
"	30,	"	Celia Lucite Buzzell,	Charles L. and Bertha M Buzzell,	"
1909					
January	18,	"	John Michael Thomas,	Michael and Nellie S Thomas,	"
"	22,	"		Fred A. and Annie A Pierce,	"
"	24,	"	Doris Alvina Jones	I Lincoln and Lora E. Jones.	"
"	31,	"	William Edgar Hollowell,	Forest B. and Ida E. Hollowell,	"

VITAL STATISTICS—CONTINUED.

List of Deaths Recorded in the Town of China from February 26, 1908 to February 26, 1909.

Date of Death		Place of Death	Name of Deceased	Age: Years	Age: Months	Age: Days	Single, Married, Widowed	Place of Birth	Place of Burial: Cemetery	Place of Burial: Town
1907.										
December	14,	China, Me.,	John W Boynton,	64	5		M	Hallowell, Me.		Windsor.
1908.										
February	16,	Fairfield, Me.	Frank A. Farris,	49	7		M	China, Me ,	China Village,	China.
"	26,	Palermo, Me.	Mary J. Bradstreet,	71	8	3	W	Windsor, Me ,	Branch Mills,	"
March	1,	China, Me.,	Charles F Choate,	67	8	1	M	China, Me ,	Weeks Mills,	"
"	2,	"	Mary Elizabeth Griggs,	77	6	1	W	Whitefield, Me.		Chelsea, Mass
"	16,	Lewiston, Me	Gustavus A. B. Whitley,	69	10	9	S	China, Me ,	China Village,	China.
April	8,	China, Me ,	Catherine W. Chadwick,	76	5	3	S	"	Chadwick Hill,	"
"	16,	"	William H. Fairfield,	79	8	10	W	Vassalboro, Me	East Vassalboro,	Vassalboro.
May	5,	Fairfield, Me	Marion Farris,	5	9	17	S	China, Me ,	China Village,	China.
"	6,	"	Christine Farris,	9	3	3	S	"	"	"
"	6	Augusta Me	Sarah B Mosher,	80	7	9	W	Windsor, Me.,	Weeks Mills,	"
"	15,	China, Me.,	Susan J Lermond,	73	7	3	W	Lincolnville, Me		Appleton.
"	17,	Fairfield, Me	Merl Farris,	5	10		S	China, Me ,	China Village,	China.
June	8,	China, Me	Nancy E Starkey,	60	5	17	W	"	South China,	"
"	12,	"	Israel T. Merrill,	77	3	21	M	Falmouth, Me.,		N'w Glou'st'r
"	23,	"	George Melvin Gilman,		3	19	S	Terra Cotta, D. C ,	China Village,	China.
July	11,	"	William H. Morrell,	69	1	1	M	Vassalboro, Me	Branch Mills,	"
"	19,	"	Mary J. Morrell,	59	10	3	W	Rockland, Me.,	"	"
August	30,	"	H. Z. Smith,	55			W	Eastbrook, Me.,	"	Hancock.

September	2,	"	Eugene J. Peva,	42	6	23	M	Windsor, Me,	Weeks Mills,	China
"	18,	"	Isabelle McLaughlin	58	7	11	M	New Glasgow, N. S	"	"
October	2,	Windsor, Me	Ruth Sherman,			3	S	Windsor, Me.,	"	"
"	10,	China, Me.,	Esther E Burgess,	83	9	8	W	China, Me.,	China Village,	"
"	13,	"	Harris Doe,	90	9	24	M	Vassalboro, Me	Deer Hill,	"
"	14,	"	William S Tobey,	66	6	7	M	Washington,	Branch Mills	"
"	17,	"	Eliza Evans	72			W	Freedom, Me,	Town Farm,	"
"	18,	"	Sarah A. Moore	87		15	W	N Berwick, Me	Bessey Ridge,	Albion.
"	21,	"	Cynthia J Orcutt,	77	4	7	W	China, Me,		Palermo.
"	25,	"	Joseph O Bragg	70			M	"		Vassalboro.
December	7,	"	John Benson Doe,	66	6	27	M	"	China Village,	China
"	25,	"	Harriet E Goodwin,	66	5	19	M	Vassalboro, Me	"	"
1909.										
February	1,	Palermo, Me	Constant C Parmenter,	97			M	China, Me,	Branch Mills,	"
"	11,	China, Me,	Levi A Jackson,	68	6	22	M	"	Lake View,	"
"	17,	"	George W. Seco,	69			W	Waterville, Me	Private,	"

W W. WASHBURN, Town Clerk

Town Warrant.

To C. R. Getchell, a constable in the town of China, in the County of Kennebec, and State of Maine,

Greeting:—In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify the inhabitants of the said town of China qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town House in said town on Monday the eighth day of March, A. D., 1909, at nine o'clock in the forenoon then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To choose Selectmen for the ensuing year.

Art. 4. To choose Assessors for the ensuing year.

Art. 5. To choose Overseers of Poor for the ensuing year.

Art. 6. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To choose a member of the school committee for a term of three years.

Art. 8. To choose one or more Road Commissioners for the ensuing year and establihs pay for same.

ART. 9. To choose an Auditor for the ensuing year.

ART. 10. To choose a collector of taxes and one or more constables for the ensuing year.

ART. 11. To choose all other necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

ART. 12. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repair of roads and bridges and the breaking down of snow.

ART. 13. To see if the town will vote yes or no upon the adoption of the provisions of Chapter 112 of the Public Laws of Maine for the year 1907, relating to the appropriation of money necessary to entitle the town to State aid for highways for the year 1909.

ART. 14. To see if the town will raise and set apart for the permanent improvement of the main highway within the town, such sum of money as is contemplated and directed by Section 5 of Chapter 112 of the Public Laws of Maine of the year 1907.

ART. 15. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of poor.

ART. 16. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools.

ART. 17. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and apprupriate to pay the tuition of its high school scholars.

ART. 18. To see if the town will vote to continue the high school at China Village and appropriate money for same, if so how much.

ART. 19. To see if the town will vote to instruct the school committee to contract for the education of its high scnool scholars as provided in Section 62, Chapter 15, of the school laws of Maine. If so to what school.

ART. 20. To see if the town will vote to instruct the school committee to maintain a school in the Hanson District for the ensuing year.

ART. 21. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for maintaining a Free High School.

ART. 22. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repair of school buildings.

ART. 23. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of writing books and other necessary school spuplies.

ART. 24. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of text books.

ART. 25. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for miscellaneous expenses.

ART. 26. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise for interest on town's indebtedness.

ART. 27. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of twenty-five dollars, twelve and one-half dollars to be given J. P. Jones Post and the same amount to A. J. Billings Post, G. A. R., to help pay Memorial expenses.

ART. 28. To see if the town will vote to authorize its superintending school committee to join with either or any of the following towns, to wit, Vassalboro and Windsor, for the purpose of employing a superintendent of schools in accordance with the provisions of Section 40 to 45 inclusive, of Chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes.

ART. 29. To see what method the town will take in relation to the collection of taxes for the ensuing year.

ART. 30. To see if the town will vote to accept in trust five hundred dollars from Thomas Dinsmore, the income to be expended for indegent women.

ART. 31. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the liquidation of the town's indebtedness.

Hereof fail not and have you there this warrant with your doings thereon.

The Selectmen hereby give notice that they will be at the town house in said town at eight o'clock on the morning of said meeting for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands at China this twenty-seventh day of February A. D., 1909.

A. N. GOODWIN,
F. O. BONNEY,
E. L. WORTHING,
} Selectmen of China.

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Assessor's Report.

VALUATION, 1909.

Real estate, resident.....	$376,150 00	
" non-resident.....	47,500 00	
		$423,650 00
Personal estate, resident.....	$101,255 00	
" non-resident.	4,315 00	
		$105,570 00
Total valuation..		$529,220 00

Number of Polls, 374.

Rate of taxation, .02

Number of Polls not taxed, 47.

O. F. SPROUL,
C. N. WEBBER } Selectmen of China.
F. D. RAND.

LIVE STOCK IN TOWN.

Number of Horses.....	487
Colts 3 to 4 years.....	16
2 to 3 years.....	23
1 to 3 years.....	40
Cows.....	794
Oxen.....	28
3 year olds.....	31
2 year olds.....	123
1 year olds.....	239
Sheep.....	1390
Swine.....	203

Selectmen's Report.

RESOURCES.

Tax deeds in hands of Treasurer Feb. 27, 1909	$ 164 38
Dinsmore Fund	97 32
Uncollected taxes in hands of M. J. Bartlett	11 51
Cash	225 39
State school fund, 1908	1,228 08
Windsor for tuition 1908	36 72
Uncollected taxes, C. R. Getchell	122 48
Vassalboro for Yorks, 1908	406 95
Belfast for Robbins, 1908	3 00
State for roads, 1907	149 79
State for Free High Schools	500 00
State tax for 1909	1,682 98
County tax for 1909	912 38
Town tax and Overlayings	9,101 14
Received from Jefferson for Lydia Heath and child	9 00
Refunded dog licenses	79 99
State for George Thompson, 1908	3 50
" " 1909	3 50
Oakland for D. Knox, 1908	242 00
" " 1909	61 54
State for A. B. Danforth	18 50
" State road fund, 1909	279 00
" Harry A. Franks	36 21
Winslow for Chas. A. Brown	5 00
Washington for James Pelton	6 67

State School fund, 1909	1,305 81
Fairfield for Yorks, 1909	230 62
Vassalboro for Yorks, 1909	314 42
Supplementary tax	26 00
From Dinsmore fund	1 50
	$17,265 38

MISCELLANEOUS.

EXPENDITURES.

Town appropriation	$1,000 00
Paid printing town reports	36 20
John E. Nelson, commission	1 27
C. R. Getchell, balance percentage, commitment, 1908	1 83
C. R. Getchell, abatements, 1908	17 90
for blank books	8 95
Williamson & Burleigh, commission	1 44
A. C. Doe, special police	10 00
H. H. Hall, care of town house	3 00
H. F. Merrill, et. als., labor and material on town house	71 28
Fred Fitzgerald, damage to sheep by dogs	5 00
Making valuation book	15 00
W. S. Ladd Co., Brown Tail Moth notices	1 50
H. P. Reed, stationery and postage	10 06
J. F. Pierce, stationery	3 46
Order book	2 50
C. H. Leach, reporting births and deaths	1 25
M. M. Small, reporting births and deaths	7 00
W. W. Washburn, recording births and deaths	13 50
G. J. Nelson, reporting births and deaths	5 25
E. W. Pierce, et. als, forest fire	34 50

Newell White, blank book for Clerk.....	1 00
P. C. Thurston, abatement, commitment 1909.....	92 55
P. C. Thurston, percentage, collecting....	115 94
	$460 38

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid C. R. Getchell, Road Commissioner in full 1908....	$ 40 00
C. R. Getchell, Road Commissioner, in full 1909....	177 00
W. W. Washburn, Town Clerk.....	10 00
O. F. Sproul, Auditor, 1908.....	2 00
O. F. Sproul, Selectman and Overseer of Poor.....	197 00
Cash expense, out of town.....	10 43
C. N. Webber, Selectman and Overseer of Poor.....	89 00
Cash expense, out of town.....	2 45
F. D. Rand, Selectman and Overseer of Poor.....	81 50
Cash expense, out of town.....	2 20
G. W. Starkey, Supervisor of Schools....	111 11
" express and postage....	7 13
T. E. Doe, School Committee.....	15 00
A. G. Malcolm, "	15 00
A. N. Goodwin, "	15 00
J. H. Mosher, Board of Health.....	10 00
F. J. Roberts, "	6 00
J. E. Crossman, "	7 00
W H. Jones, Moderator.....	2 00
C. L. Buzzell, Truant Officer.....	1 00
	$800 82

G. A. R.

Appropriation		$25 00
Paid A. J. Billings Post	$12 50	
James P. Jones Post	12 50	
		$25 00

PAUPER ACCOUNT.

Appropriation	$900 00

POOR OFF FARM.

Paid P. G. Brown for C. A. Brown	$ 5 00
F. A. Doe for Dighton Knox	18 50
G. F. Rowe "	78 47
Dr. G. J. Nelson "	25 00
F. A. Peva for Geo. Thompson	3 50
Georgia Nelson for H. A. Franks	48 91
H. P. Reed for James Pelton	6 67
E. L. Worthing for Yorks	8 00
City of Augusta for V. Pouilett	19 35
F. L. Brown for C. C. Goodale	9 00
W. R. Ward for Yorks	46 37
G. J. Nelson "	103 75
G. M. Crommett "	42 52
F. A. Doe "	168 15
E. M. Moody "	184 25
Town of Fairfield for Mrs. Grace Farris	35 42
W. R. Ward for Geo. Seco, 1908	1 25
E. M. Moody for A. B. Danforth	12 50
G. H. Freemen for A. B. Danforth	6 00
M. M. Small for C. C. Goodale	1 25
	$823 86

Of this sum other Towns have paid as follows:

Oakland, for Dighton Knox	$ 61 54
State, for Albert Danforth	18 50

State, for Harry Franks	36 21
State, for Geo. Thompson	3 50
Winslow, for Chas. A. Brown	5 00
Washington, for James Pelton	6 67
Fairfield, for Yorks	230 62
Vassalboro, for Yorks	314 42
	$676 46
Due from Oakland, for Dighton Knox	60 43
Due from State, for Harry Franks	12 70
Due from State, for C. C. Goodale	10 25
Due from Vassalboro, for Yorks	8 00
	$91 38

POOR ON FARM.

Paid C. W. Allen, blacksmithing, 1907	$ 2 58
W. F. Hawes, groceries, 1908	33 44
J. H. Haskell, cow	35 00
Wesley Haskell and wife Supt. and matron of Town farm	200 00
G. J. Nelson, medical attendance	5 00
	$276 02

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Appropriation		$2,500 00
Appropriation State Road	$ 93 00	
Set aside from Town appropriation	186 00	
Received from State	279 00	
Available for State Road	$558 00	

Paid breaking down snow winter 1908 and 1909	$1,279 78	
labor on highway, summer	1,332 76	
labor on State Road	584 25	
		$3,196 79

SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Appropriation		$2,000 00
Mill fund		1,305 81
Received from Windsor, tuition 1908		36 72
		$3,342 53
Paid teaching	$2,194 50	
Transportation	885 15	
Fuel	144 38	
		$3,224 03
School repairs		154 36
School supplies		11 59
Text books		200 64
Free High schools		625 00

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Appropriation	$300 00
Expended	274 15

DINSMORE FUND.

On deposit	$97 32
Interest to Feb. 16, 1910	3 92
	$101 24
Expended	1 50
On deposit Feb. 24, 1910	$99 74

GENERAL STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES.

Miscellaneous account		$ 460 38
Town Officers		800 82
Poor off farm		823 86
Poor on farm		276 02
G. A. R		25 00
Highways and Bridges		3,196 79
Schools		3,224 03
School repairs		154 26
School supplies		11 59
Text books		200 64
Free High Schools		625 00
Bond No. 25		500 00
Interest		274 15
Dinsmore Fund		1 50
State Tax balance 1908		1,546 84
State Tax balance 1909		1,682 98
County tax		912 38
Old orders		1,372 00
		$16,088 34
Resources	$17,265 38	
Expended	16,088 34	
		$1,177 04
Leaving in hands of P. C. Thurston, Collector and Treasurer as follows:		
Tax deeds	$115 57	
Dinsmore fund	99 74	
Uncollected taxes	128 70	
C. A. Davis Execution	13 13	
Cash	819 90	
		1,177 04

LIABILITIES,

Town Bonds.....		$4700 00

AVAILABLE RESOURCES.

In hands Collector and Treasurer..	$1,177 04	
Due from Oakland, for Dighton Knox.....	60 43	
Due from State for poor.....	22 95	
Due from State, sheep damage....	5 00	
		$1,265 42
Balance against town.....		$3,434 58

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct with proper vouchers on file for same.

JAMES O. FISH,
Auditor of Accounts for the town of China.

China, Me., Feb. 24th, 1910.

PAID FOR LABOR ON HIGHWAY SUMMER, 1909.

E. A. Dudley, labor 1908.....		$ 13 75
E. S. Kitchen, watering place.		3 00
E. S. Kitchen, plow, points and bolts.....		1 20
Berger Co., culverts		73 60
George Gerald, labor		16 50
C. R. Getchell, labor and material, 1908.....		23 00
F. J. Denton,	labor.....	4 44
Fred Bragg,	"	7 00
F. E. Hall,	"	85 50
H. H. Hall,	"	10 25
Nelson Page,	"	12 65
C. W. Randall,	"	10 35
John Randall,	"	1 50

D. L. Clark,	"	3 00
Edward Webber,	"	10 75
Fred Burgess,	"	3 25
Frank Rand,	"	1 50
E. E. Wentworth,	"	7 75
C. F. Abbott,	"	20 40
Andrew Webber,	"	14 75
Fred Fitzgerald,	"	3 50
O. U. G. Ward,	"	3 50
Chas. Bailey,	"	9 50
W. F. Ward,	"	4 00
W. E. Colley,	"	17 50
Ed. Dudley,	"	37 00
Ed. Haskell and Son,	"	50 75
John Goddard,	"	3 00
S. H. Grindle,	"	62 30
J. A. Cates,	"	33 75
J. A. Cates, plank.....		10 50
John Small,	labor.....	9 00
Woodbury Marden,	"	28 00
Ed. Haskell, plank.....		3 00
Frank Young,	labor.....	10 50
Silas Crummett,	"	3 00
Everett Thurston,	"	5 00
Edward Thurston,	"	5 00
J. H. Mosher,	"	13 00
L. W. Sabin,	"	3 50
J. A. Jones,	"	4 25
J. A. Jones, gravel.....		2 00
Chas. Frye, "		4 00
Chas. Frye,	labor.....	3 50
Geo. Freeman,	"	8 25
Linwood Jones,	"	1 75

A. D. Abbott,	"	7 00
Geo. Wentworth,	"	5 00
G. A. Starkey & Son,	"	3 50
C. R. Getchell,	"	73 50
A. N. Goodwin,	"	4 75
F. S. Mitchell,	"	10 75
O. S. Bartlett,	"	35 05
Alton Seco,	"	2 25
Frank Wood,	"	8 25
Chester Emerson,	"	2 25
Bert Hallowell,	"	1 50
Daniel Webber,	"	1 50
J. H. Holmes,	"	1 50
J. H. Haskell,	"	1 50
H. F. Whitehouse,	"	1 00
H. F. Whitehouse, plank	.....	2 30
H. N. Randall,	labor.....	4 50
I. H. Reed,	"	35 50
Fred Bonney,	"	7 10
P. W. Dodge,	"	21 30
H. M. Crommett,	"	5 00
P. W. Dodge, dynamite	.....	50
Ezra Ward,	labor.....	9 00
Fred Howard,	"	18 00
W. S. Hunnewell,	"	6 00
Llewellyn Jackson,	"	2 25
Robert Reed,	"	12 25
B. W. Clifford,	"	3 00
Robert Reed, scraper.	.....	25
Walter Ward,	labor.....	3 00
H. J. Haskell,	"	4 50
Avery Choate,	"	60
D. Y. White,	"	5 85

O. F. Sproul,	"	1 00
J. Banks,	"	60
Leon Herbert, plank.....		18 75
P. C. Thurston,	labor.....	5 25
G. F. Thurston, Jr.	"	8 75
A. E. Doe,	"	32 00
A. E. Doe, lumber.....		12 00
Silas Bowden,	labor.	2 00
C. E. Jackson,	"	7 00
Joseph Bruso,	"	7 00
Geo. Norton,	"	4 50
Everett Jackson,	"	2 25
C. R. Hatch,	"	13 50
E. W. Pierce,	"	10 50
C. W. Allen,	"	1 75
M. F. Davis,	"	2 00
Fred Lewis,	"	2 00
Chas. Bumps,	"	1 00
Walter Tobey,	"	5 50
Walter Tobey, plank.....		3 00
Geo. F. Rowe,	labor.....	4 55
B. F. Jepson,	"	1 00
Calvin Rowe,	"	1 00
W. H. Jones,	"	3 80
J. N. Hall,	"	1 50
Frank Morse,	"	26 10
F. S. Wallace,	"	4 50
W. W. Wood, plank....		12 70
Chas. Adams,	labor.....	2 60
A. G. Malcolm,	"	4 50
A. R. Burrill,	"	7 00
Fred Roberts,	"	1 50
Frank Prescott,	"	75

W. A. Crossman,	"	4 50
W. O. Farrington,	"	75
Jud Goodspeed,	"	2 50
Chas. Freeman,	"	3 45
H. D. Cooper, nails.....		30
Louis Masse, plank.....		20 10
W. R. Ward, "		23 40
W. R. Ward,	labor.	3 50
T. M. Foster,	"	10 50
W. E. Haskell,	"	3 50
L. A. Robinson,	"	3 50
Geo. Crossman,	"	7 00
W. A. Morrill,	"	3 50
Alfred Jones,	"	75
James Turner,	"	3 00
Everett Brown,	"	3 00
J. H. Hunnewell,	"	1 50
A. D. Chadwick,	"	3 00
Fred McClellan,	"	17 90
Leon Lewis,	"	3 00
A. W. Haskell,	"	6 00
Geo. E. Loudan,	"	2 50
G. M. Crommett, nails.....		62
Otis Hannon, gravel.....		5 00
F. A Doe, labor, 1908.....		6 50
Arthur Hallowell.....		3 00
Levi Jackson, heirs.....		5 00
Alfred Thurston.....		3 50
Abbie Ward, watering place.....		1 50
		$1,332 76

PAID FOR LABOR ON STATE ROAD.

A. E. Doe.....	$46 50
A. D. Abbott.....	23 00

Frank Wood	14 25
F. E. Hall	33 75
J. A. Cates	21 00
H. H. Hall	18 00
Fred Howard	6 75
J. H. Hunnewell	15 75
C. R. Getchell	28 00
S. H. Grindle	21 00
G. F. Thurston, Jr.,	33 25
E. W. Haskell & Son	52 00
Frank Prescott	6 75
J. F. Crossman	16 50
Mell Ward	18 00
P. C. Thurston	26 25
E. T. Haskell	13 50
I. H. Reed	19 25
T. M. Foster	7 00
S. J. Newell	9 75
O. S. Bartlett	13 50
Alton Seco	6 00
W. A. Fletcher	12 00
George H. Freeman	15 00
Wesley Haskell	6 00
Will A. Haskell	4 50
William Cole	6 00
Albert Cole	6 00
R. B. Cole	10 50
Herbert Norton	3 00
George W. Norton	19 50
W. A. Morrill	7 00
Fred Plaisted	4 50
F. S. Wallace	7 50
Charles Frye	7 00

Harold Wetzler	3 00
C. A. Rowe	3 00
E. M. Sprague	1 50
F. E. Hall, oil	50
F. E. Hall, gravel	10 00
Proctor & Bowie, dynamite	8 00
	$584 25

ACCOUNT OF W. H. TAYLOR, SUPERINTENDENT OF TOWN FARM FROM FEB. 18, 1909 to APRIL 5, 1909.

Cash on hand	$ 9 40	
Received for butter	20 95	
Use of hearse	5 00	
Potatoes	5 00	
		$40 35
Paid for groceries	$21 80	
Grain	12 30	
Use male animals	4 50	
Hardware	25	
Hired help	1 50	
		$40 35

RECEIPTS OF TOWN FARM SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 17TH, 1910.

Received for butter sold	$230 59
Eggs sold	14 72
Round hog sold	58 90
Calves sold	31 08
Beef cow sold	22 00
Sweet corn sold	11 46
Potatoes sold	13 35

Apples sold	5 70	
Hens sold	5 46	
Oats sold	3 00	
Labor off farm	31 25	
		$427 51

Disbursements.

Paid for groceries	$112 85	
Grain	114 20	
Fertilizer	52 80	
Use of male animals	1 50	
Use of butter worker	7 00	
Lime and hair	70	
Carbolic acid and sulphur	1 10	
Blacksmithing	4 40	
Butchering hog	50	
Grinding grain	3 03	
Medicine for horse	2 30	
Calves	5 75	
Grass seed	5 00	
Pigs	16 00	
Hardware	9 53	
Seed potatoes	12 60	
Paris green	84	
Horse blanket	2 50	
Saw bill, 1908	11 13	
Saw bill, 1909	79	
Dry goods	12 87	
Hired help	30 77	
Cash on hand Feb. 17, 1910	19 35	
		$427 51

INVENTORY OF ROAD MACHINE.

2 road machines	$225 00
2 steel scrapers	10 00

2 steel drills	1 00
1 plow	8 00
	$244 00

INVENTORY OF STOCK AND PRODUCE ON FARM FEBRUARY 18, 1910.

1 horse	$ 75 00
4 cows	100 00
2 shoats	15 00
24 hens	12 00
6 tons hay	75 00
2 tons straw	12 00
160 bushels potatoes	47 00
5 bushels beans	12 50
100 lbs. pork	14 00
80 bushels oats	40 00
1 mowing machine	25 00
1 horse rake	15 00
20 bushels corn	10 00
1 horse sled	10 00
1 cider barrel	1 25
1 wheel barrow	2 50
2 shovels	1 00
1 manure fork	50
1 hand rake	25
1 cultivator	5 00
1 plow	4 00
1 harrow	7 00
1 hay fork and rope	5 00
1 express wagon	6 00
1 farm wagon and rack	20 00
1 iron bar	1 00
1 ox chain	1 00

2 harness	30 00
3 baskets	1 25
2 flour barrels	50
1 churn	2 00
1 butter worker	7 00
5 bags fertilizer	9 50
1 hatchet	60
1 hoe	40
1 street blanket	2 75
1 sledge	75
1 separator	25 00
2 pitch forks	75
	$597 50

DELINQUENT TAX PAYERS.

C. L. Buzzell	$7 90
Silas Crommett	7 10
Harry Cole	3 00
Harris Doe, Heirs	1 00
C. W. Emerson	4 36
George L. Gilman	5 00
Fred Gleason	4 00
George Gerald	3 00
Joseph Gilman	3 00
F. B. Halloway	3 05
Riley E. Holt	50
M. S. Hammon	8 70
C. W. Hubbard	90
F. W. Handy	3 00
Walter Jerolman	5 60
Maurice Jackson	60
A. A. Malcolm	4 10
J. E. McMitchell	3 00

Edward Mishon	3 00
Fred McClellan	1 75
Herbert Norton	2 45
Fred Pelton	60
Frank A. Peva	6 00
Mrs. Emma J. Pullen	2 60
H. L. Reynolds	4 40
F. D. Shorey	5 90
A. K. Small	1 50
Warren Stewart	7 70
Chas. Stewart	3 00
Henry Talbot	1 95
Peter Taylor	5 67
Frank Wood	5 37
L. R. White	2 00
Valance B. Brown	1 00
F. S. Moore	6 00
	$128 70

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Haskell have had the care of the Town Farm the past year to our satisfaction, and we cheerfully recommend them to our successors.

The mother and child, reported last year have been returned to the Town of settlement. Two have been admitted, making the present number three.

Respectfully submitted

O. F. SPROUL,
C. N. WEBBER,
F. D. RAND,
} Selectmen of China.

Feb. 25, 1910.

Board of Health.

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT.

In behalf of the Board of Health I submit the following report.

The Board has held quarterly meetings in May, August, November and February as the law requires.

Three cases of nuisance have been attended to. There has been during the year three deaths by tuberculosis and the rooms disinfected. The physicians have reported one case of typhoid fever, twelve of measles, one of chicken pox and four of scarlet fever. Several children and young people in the vicinity of the Plains schoolhouse are suspected of having had scarlet fever, although in so mild a form that medical attendance was not required. Therefore the Board of Health failed to receive a positive report of these cases. However the schoolhouse and the homes are being disinfected with formaldehyde and potassium permanganate.

Respectfully,

J. H. MOSHER, Secretary.

China, February 21st, 1910.

Report of School Committee.

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 22, 1910.

By referring to the Superintendent's report you will learn how the money raised for the support of schools has been expended for the past school year. We feel that it has been judiciously used and that our Superintendent's management has been good.

The school in the Hanson District has failed to maintain the attendance required by law. However we consider it for the interest of the district to continue the school for the coming year.

It is necessary to purchase new stoves for the schoolhouses at South China, Dirigo, and China Village. The stoves now used are not only unsafe, but fuel is wasted. The schoolhouse at South China has been partially repaired. We would advise some further repairs to be made. We deem it essential to have the walls and ceilings calcimined in every schoolhouse used in town with the exception of the schoolhouse at China Village, not only for cleanliness, but from a sanitary point.

The committee recommend.

1st. That the sum of $1,300 be raised and appropriated for the support of common schools for the ensuing year.

2nd. That the sum of $250 be raised and appropriated for the repair of school buildings.

3rd. That the sum of $175 be raised and appropriated for the purchase of text books and $30 for school supplies.

Respectfully submitted

THERON E. DOE,
A. N. GOODWIN,
A. G. MALCOM.
} Superintending School Committee.

Report of Superintendent of Schools.

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of China:

In presenting my second annual report of the condition and progress of the schools of this town I feel that there are many indications of a healthy growth during the year. This growth has taken the form of what may perhaps best be termed "greater efficiency." Almost the entire effort within the schoolroom itself has been directed toward increasing the value of each hour of time by means of every method available and applicable to our school conditions. In a certain measure the efficacy of these efforts has been diminished by the ever present necessity of frequent change of teachers, no less than twenty-one different ones having been employed during the three terms, and yet in spite of this disturbing element, necessitating the loss of considerable time in the making of an acquaintance between the pupils and the new teacher, there has been a remarkable uniformity in the grade of work done.

In order to make all the schools conform to certain well-defined principles of logical development, a course of study was formally adopted during the summer vacation and has been put into use for the past two terms. This work of grading is one that cannot profitably be forced and in several schools the progress has inevitably been slower than in others. In some cases however the pupils and the course

fitted together sufficiently well to warrant calling the classes by grade numbers. Another year should make it possible to do this in every school. The course itself furnishes an outline by which the teacher may be guided. It is intended to be suggestive rather than restrictive and if followed in the proper spirit will do much to insure that thoroughness which, be it said to our shame is so often neglected in the work of common schools in general, and also in the work of higher institutions.

The school year has been lengthened to thirty weeks and it is to be hoped that the number of weeks in the future may not be reduced below that. It is my belief that too long a school year is as bad as too short a one in a country town but thirty weeks should be the minimum in any case. It is becoming exceedingly difficult to hire competent and experienced teachers for less than a ten week term when it is necessary to go out of town for them.

During the year the recommendations of my last report have been followed out in regard to text books. A partial set of the Jones readers has been added to supplement the ones already in use and have proven very satisfactory. The remainder of the set should be placed in the schools the coming year in order that all scholars may have the benefit of the greater variety of material. The old Mother Tongue grammars have been displaced by the Modern English series which has proved very satisfactory. A partial set of maps has been put into the schools and these have already been of great service. A few additions of this kind each year will soon place our equipment in first class condition and cannot fail to awaken the enthusiasm of every scholar. It is as essential for the child in school as it is for the farmer or the carpenter to have proper tools with which to work.

The school in the Hanson district has failed to main-

tain the required average attendance the same as last year and conditions for transportation remain unchanged, making it seem necessary to continue the school another year even with the small number who are to attend.

In regard to the coming year I can only say that the outlook is a promising one so far as the opportunity for good work in the schoolroom is concerned. If parents will see to it that children are as regular in attendance as possible there is no reason why satisfactory advancement cannot be made. Our course of study provides ample directions for thorough review and regular advance work; the best available teachers will be placed in charge of the schools and instructions will frequently be given them ; text books and apparatus will be added so far as funds allow, and pupils who attend every day will find no difficulty in making good progress. We have an excellent basis for more than the average grade of country schools.

The one thing which I wish to recommend and urge upon the people of the town more than any other for the coming year is the improvement of the interior of our school buildings. The exterior of every school building with one exception is in very good condition. Will not every one be ready to take a hand in the campaign to make the interiors more attractive by either tinting or papering the walls to make a background for the further decorations that the children in each school are ready to work for. This has been kept in mind when recommending an appropriation for repairs a little larger than last year. It is coming to be a universally recognized fact that an attractive schoolroom is a great factor in the making of a good school

The changes in the High School law made by the last legislature have made it impossible to continue the school at China Village during the past year as it would have been

necessary to provide for a year of at least thirty weeks. The lack of a building and the small number of scholars to attend made this an impracticable course.

Erskine Academy has furnished the entire high school instruction for the pupils of the town and has kept its standard up to that of former years and in addition will provide for a year of thirty-six weeks instead of thirty as in the past. Seven pupils passed satisfactory examinations for entrance and showed that they were well qualified for regular high school work, receiving certificates to that effect.

The common school register for the year is given herewith:

COMMON SCHOOL REGISTER.

			Total Reg.	Av. Att.	Wages
Weeks Mills	Spring	Emily J Dodge,	30	23	$ 8 00
	Fall	Georgia Farnsworth,	31	24	8 00
	Winter	Myrtie M Brown	30	22	8 00
South China	Spring	Addie D Hanks	41	36	10 00
	Fall	Emma H Nelson	34	31	10 00
	Winter	Harold W Jones	31	22	10 00
Hanson	Spring	Rebekah Martin	7	6	6 00
	Fall	"	6	6	6 00
	Winter	"	6	6	6 00
Stanley Hill	Spring	Florence A Ward,	14	12	7 00
	Fall	"	11	9	7 00
	Winter	Marion L Wallace	11	9	6 00
China Gram'r	Spring	Emma H Nelson	17	14	8 00
	Fall	Gladys Tibbetts	19	16	8 00
	Winter	"	20	14	8 50
China Prim.	Spring	Grace H. Thurston	19	18	7 25
	Fall	"	19	1[illegible]	7 50
	Winter	Kathleen Geyer	15	9	7 00
Branch Mills	Spring	Myrtie L Crommett	14	11	7 00
	Fall	Ruth S Menges	22	16	8 50
	Winter	Myrtie L Crommett	12	9	7 50
Plains	Spring	Lida M Pierce	20	15	6 00
	Fall	Ada G. Mosher	19	13	6 00
	Winter	"	12	9	6 00
Deer Hill	Spring	Gertrude L. Jordan	14	12	6 50
	Fall	"	14	8	6 50
	Winter	"	16	15	7 00
Dirigo	Spring	Ina M. Hewitt	18	14	6 00
	Fall	Gladys B. Hisler	11	9	7 00
	Winter	Bernice Whitehouse	10	7	7 50

Again I wish to express my appreciation for the many courtesies which have been extended to me throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,
GLENN W. STARKEY.

FINANCIAL REPORT AS SHOWN BY THE SUPERINTENDENT'S BOOKS.

COMMON SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Balance unexpended from last year	$ 72 30	
Town appropriation.....	2,000 00	
State fund.	1,305 81	
Tuition received from Vassalboro..	21 00	
Palermo ...	25 00	
Windsor ...	18 00	
Total resources.....		$3,442 11
Expended for teaching, spring term.	$717 50	
Fall term...	736 50	
Winter term	740 50	
Expended for transportation, spring term.....	299 30	
Expended for transportation, fall term	318 30	
Expended for transportation, winter term.	313 05	
	$3,125 15	
Expended for fuel for the year....	135 63	
Total expenditures...		$3,260 78
Balance unexpended...		$181 33

TEXT BOOK ACCOUNT.

Balance unexpended from last year	$118 61	
Town appropriation.....	175 00	
Discount allowed for old books....	21 37	
		$314 98
Due E. E. Babb & Co., books....	53 55	
Ginn & Co., books.....	38 59	
Rand, McNalley & Co., maps	16 00	
Erskine Academy, books furnished	52 87	
		$161 01
Balance unexpended..		$153 97

SUPPLY ACCOUNT.

Balance unexpended from last year	$63 31	
Town appropriation.....	30 00	
		$93 31
Due E. E. Babb & Co.....	11 00	
Paid for supplies during year.....	14 54	
		$25 54
Balance unexpended..		$67 77

REPAIR ACCOUNT.

Balance unexpended from last year	$ 41 24	
Town appropriation.....	225 00	
		$266 24
Expended for repairs, 1909, 1910		162 86
Balance unexpended..		$103 38

VITAL STATISTICS.

Marriages Recorded in the Town of China from February 26, 1909 to February 23, 1910.

Date of Marriage	Place of Marriage	Name of Groom	Name of Bride	Residence of Groom	Residence of Bride
1909					
February 25	Waterville, Me.	Arthur William Stetson,	Maude Anna Hawes,	Waterville, Me	China, Me.
March 7	Windsor, Me	Charles Boyd Clark,	Mary Henrietta Pray,	China, "	"
April 11	"	Addison Seekins,	Hattie W Clark,	Windsor, "	"
" 14	China, Me	Hubert H Hall,	Nettie A Shorey.	China, "	"
" 17	Windsor, Me	James McLaughlin,	Georgie Stewart,	" "	"
June 9	New Gloucester, Me	Alvin James Mardin,	Mildred Ella Parmenter,	Waterville, "	"
July 3	China, Me.	Edgar E Garland,	Annie B Pullen,	Fairfield, "	"
" 6	Worcester, Mass	Benjamin L. Tobey,	Hattie W Walls,	China "	Worcester, Mass
" 18	China, Me.	Frank H Brown,	Mina Mae Danforth,	" "	Albion, Me
September 1	"	George Newton Doody,	Josephine May Seekins,	Caribou, "	Caribou, "
October 9	"	John B. Brown,	Cora E Peva,	China, "	China, "
November 13	Vassalboro, Me.	Buford A Reed,	Ethel E Taylor,	" "	Vassalboro, "
" 20	China. Me	Ralph C Strout,	Sadie M Wilton,	Winslow, "	Palermo, "
December 11	"	Frank A Jaquith,	Arvilla H Wallace,	Palermo, "	" "
" 15	"	Stephen A. Plummer,	Mary E French,	China "	Windsor, "
" 16	"	Stephen F. York,	Mamie Webber,	Albion, "	Albion, "
" 22	"	Perley C Luce,	Esther M. Gilman,	New Portland, "	China, "
1910					
January 20	Augusta, Me.	Ulysses S Haskell,	Kate M G. Yeaton,	China, "	Rockland, "

Births Recorded in the Town of China from February 26, 1909, to February 23, 1910.

Date of Birth		Place of Birth	Name of Child	Name of Parents	Residence of Parents
1908					
October	8	China, Me	Hilda Mae Peva,	Frank A and Anna M Peva,	China, Maine
1909					
March	31	"	Erwin Morton Boynton,	Alonzo and Ada M Boynton	"
April	10	"	Alton Henry Higgins,	Charles A and Mabel A Higgins,	"
"	17	"	Esther Margaret Hallowell,	Eben and Lottie Hallowell,	"
"	22	"	Lila Estelle Washburn,	Thomas W and Estelle M Washburn	"
May	3	"	Louie Fred McLellan,	Fred and Emily E McLellan,	"
"	11	"	Ethel Elizabeth Small,	Arnold K and Emma E Small,	"
"	19	"		Arthur and Louisa M Brillard,	Waterville Maine
"	25	"	Dana Russell Quinnman,	Joseph D and Carrie M Quinnman,	China, Maine
"	29	"	Marjorie Emma Fletcher	Robert A and Sadie M Fletcher,	"
June	4	"	Marguerite Elizabeth Nolan	Harry W and Lottie E Nolan.	"
"	17	"	Frank Harrison Peters,	——— ——— Georgia E Peters,	"
"	25	"	Hortense Mary Starkey,	Burt A and Alwilda L Starkey,	"
"	30	"	Dorothy May Johnson,	Mark S and Edith F Johnson,	"
July	4	"	Russell Alfred Jones,	C Alfred and Miriam A. Jones,	"
August	14	"	Leonard Herman Bean,	J Frank and Alice M Bean,	"
"	19	"	Doris Pearl Thurston	Everett and Cora E. Thurston	"
"	31	"	Richard Cony Webber,	Cony M and Pearl A Webber,	"
September	26	"	Charles Wilson Pelton,	Fred A and Daisy B Pelton,	"
October	9	"	Lewis Elmer Wentworth,	Elmer E and Lizzie M. Wentworth,	"
"	14	"	Myra Fern Hall,	Huburt H and Nettie A Hall,	"
"	28	"	Morris Leslie Austin,	Harry W and Lena E Austin,	"
November	4	"	Nelson Hustis Thurston,	Edward and Daisy M. Thurston,	"
"	14	"	Melvin Nelson Wood.	Frank E and Ellen C. Wood,	"
"	15	"	Alonzo Rogers,	Alonzo and Betsey Rogers	"
"	30	"	Lelia May Jerolman,	Walter R and Algie M Jerolman,	"
December	1	"	Phyllis Farnsworth,	Everett O. and Beulah M. Farnsworth	"

1910					"
January	3	"	Frances Isabell Clark,	Charles B and Mary H Clark	"
"	7	"	Minnie Ann Weeks	Edward T and Sadie M Weeks	"
"	8	"	Estelle P Taylor,	Ernest O and Susan O Taylor,	"
February	7	"	Mildred Bertha Webber,	Oliver A and Annie L Webber	"
"	9	"	Ralph Fletcher Arey,	Harold B and Minnie Z Arey,	"
"	13	"		Robert B and Carrie B Cole,	"

List of Deaths Recorded in the Town of China from February 29, 1909 to February 23, 1910

Date of Death		Place of Death	Name of Deceased	AGE Years	Months	Days	Single, Married Widowed	Place of Birth	Place of Burial: Cemetery	Place of Burial: Town
1909										
March	2	Palermo, Me	Josephene Grant,	57			M	China Me	Branch Mills,	China, Me.
"	7	China, Me	Benjamin C Nickerson	94	4	18	W	Litchfield Me		Lakeville, Mass.
"	23	"	Ferdinand E Mitchell,	31	10	18	M	China Me	China Village,	China, Me.
"	26	Somerville Mass	Elmer E Jackson	47			W	"	Lake View.	"
"	29	China, Me	Dorothy Crommett,	97	9		W	Searsmont Me	Branch Mills,	"
April	1	Nobleboro, "	Mary A Kitchen,	86	9		W	Durham, Me	"	"
"	3	China "	Henry Kenrick,	73			M	China, Me		Waterville, Me.
"	6	Augusta. "	Melissa J Ellis,	49			M	Phillips, Me	South China,	China, Me.
"	7	China, "	Samuel A Clark,	82			W	China, Me	"	"
May	6	" "	Henry B Lewis,	76	3	12	M	"	China Village,	"
"	6	" "	Oscar Sibley,	65			M	Augusta, Me	South China	"
"	23	" "	Mary W Goddard Doe,	69	10	19	M	Vassalboro, Me	Chadwick Hill,	"
Jnne	30	" "	Harry G Fowle,	43			M	Southport Me	China Village,	"

July	11	"	Ruth Boynton,	90	5	26	W	Jefferson, Me		Alna, Me
"	12	Canaan, Me	Julia E Kitchen.	66	6		W	Canaan. Me		China. Me.
"	15	China, Me.	George W. Morrell,	96	3	1	W	China, Me	Morrell,	"
"	16	"	Thankful T Weeks	75	4	6	S	Jefferson, Me		Jefferson, Me.
"	25	Winslow, Me.	John Q A Whitley,	75	1	18	M	China, Me	China Village,	China, Me.
"	26	China, Me.	John F. Plummer,	71		25	M	"	Weeks' Mills,	"
August	4	"	Sanford K Clark,	70	7		M	"	Private,	"
"	22	"	Melissa H. Morrell,	56		6	S	"	Morrell,	"
September	2	Albion, Me.	Lawrence A Hall	2	6	1	S	"	Lake View,	"
"	8	China, Me	Hartwell B Haskell,	72	11	8	M	"	Branch Mills,	"
"	10	Boston, Mass	Harold Holt,	10	4	4	S	"	Deer Hill,	"
October	2	China, Me.	Jerome B. Nelson,	55			M	Somerville, Me	China Village,	"
"	19	"	Ezra Ward,	73	6	27	M	Windsor, Me	Chadwick Hill,	"
December	2	Palermo, Me	George F. Worthing,	81	3	20	M	Palermo, Me	Branch Mills,	"
"	27	China, Me	Mary Bragg.	87	11	23	S		South China,	"
"	30	Portland, Me.	Abbie M. Crane,	61	6	2	M	Otisfield, Me.		Windsor, Me.
1910										
January	8	China, Me.	Zenas Percival	85	7	5	M	Vassalboro, Me	Chadwick Hill,	China, Me
"	9	"	Adaline A Small,	89	2	28	W	China, Me.	China Village,	"
"	11	"	Hollis Keller,	62			M	"	Bessey Ridge,	Albion, Me.
"	13	"	Skeffington O. Maxwell,	69			W	Oak Hill, N. B.		St Stephens, NB
"	18	Waterville, Me.	Joann Bessey,	50			M	Thorndike, Me	China Village,	China, Me.
"	28	Augusta, Me	George E. Brickett,	85	2	8	W	White River Jc. Vt	South China,	"
February	10	China, Me.	Harold F. Gordon,	36	3	23	S	West Sullivan, Me		Franklin, Me.
"	10	"	Martha A, Bowler,	73	8	25	W	Palermo, Me.	Branch Mills,	China, Me.

W. W. WASHBURN, Town Clerk.

Town Warrant.

To P. C. Thurston, a constable in the town of China, in the town of China, in the County of Kennebec, and State of Maine,

GREETING:—In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify the inhabitants of the said town of China qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town House in said town on Monday, the seventh day of March, A. D 1909, at nine o'clock in the forenoon then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

Art. 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting

Art. 2. To choose a clerk for the ensuing year

Art, 3. To choose Selectmen for the ensuing year

Art. 4. To choose Assessors for the ensuing year

Art. 5. To choose Overseers of Poor for the ensuing year.

Art 6. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year

Art. 7. To choose a member of the school committee for a term of three years.

Art. 8. To choose one or more Road Commissioners for the ensuing year and establish pay for same

Art. 9. To choose an Auditor for the ensuing year.

Art. 10. To choose a collector of taxes and one or more constables for the ensuing year.

Art. 11. To choose all other necessary town officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 12. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repair of roads and bridges and the breaking down of snow

Art. 13 To see if the town will vote yes or no upon the adoption of the provisions of Chapter 112 of the Public Laws of Maine for the year 1907, amended by Chapter 69, Public Laws of 1907, relating to the appropriation of money necessary to entitle the town to State aid for highways for the year 1910

Art. 14. To see what sum of money if any the town will raise and appropriate in addition to the amounts regularly raised and appropriated for the care of ways, highways and bridges, the sum of $400 00, being the maximum amount which the town is allowed to raise under the provisions of Chapter 112, of the Public Laws of Maine for the year 1907 as amended by Chapter 69, Public Laws of 1909.

Art 15. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of poor.

Art. 16. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools.

Art. 17. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay the tuition of its high school scholars.

Art. 18. To see if the town will vote to instruct the school committee to contract for the education of its high school scholars as provided in Section 62, Chapter 15, of the school laws of Maine. If so what school.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to instruct the school committee to maintain a school in the Hanson District for the ensuing year.

Art. 20. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for maintaining a Free High School.

Art. 21. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repair of school buildings

Art. 22. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of writing books and other necessary school supplies.

Art. 23. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of text books

Art. 24. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for miscellaneous expenses

Art 25. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for interest on town's indebtedness

Art. 26 To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of twenty five dollars, twelve and one half to be given J. P Jones Post G. A. R, and the same amount to A J Billings Post, G A R to help pay Memorial expenses.

Art. 27 To see if the town will vote to authorize its superintending school committee to join with either or any of the following towns, to wit, Vassalboro and Windsor for the purpose of employing a superintendent of schools in accordance with the provisions of Section 40 to 45 inclusive, of Chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes.

Art. 28. To see what method the town will take in relation to the collection of taxes for the ensuing year.

Art. 29. To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to pay L. B. Robinson et als for labor on roads leading from the Hanson neighborhood so called, to Pond road near F. E Hall's, and if so how much

Art. 30 To see if the town will vote to accept $500 00 from Thomas Dinsmore as a permanent fund, the income of which only to be used for the benefit of indigent persons, not including those supported by the town. The said income to be distributed to such persons as in the judgment of the municipal officers of the town may think proper

Art. 31. To see if the town will vote to except the sum of fifty dollars in trust from Dr. G. H. Brickett of Augusta, the income from the same to be expended in caring for the Dr. Geo. E. Brickett lot in the cemetery at South China.

Art. 32. To see if the town will vote that all bills that are presented to the town officers for payment, shal be itemized and the date of each article to be given and the same inserted in the town report

Art. 33. To see what action the town will take in regard to abating the tax on the potato house now a Weeks Mills and those to be built at Palern Station and at China for a term of five years

Art. 34. To see what some of money the town will vote raise and appropriate for the liquidation of t town's indebtedness.

Hereof fail not and have you there this warrant with yo doings there on.

The Selectmen hereby give notice that they will be at the tow house in said town at eight o'clock on the morning of said meeti for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands at China this twenty fifth day February, A D. 1910.

O F. SPROUL, C. N. WEBBER, F. D REED, } Selectmen of China

88
94
76
258
45
213

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Assessors' Report.

VALUATION 1910.

Real estate, resident		$422,280
" non-resident		64,535
		$486,815
Personal estate, resident	$111,845	
" non-resident	4,390	
		116,235
Total valuation		$603,050

Number of polls, 368.

Rate of taxation, .018.

O. F. SPROUL,
C. N. WEBBER,
F. D. RAND,
} Assessors of China.

LIVE STOCK IN TOWN.

Number of Horses	481
Colts, 3 to 4 years	16
" 2 to 3 years	20
" 1 to 2 years	43
Cows	713
Oxen	18
3 year olds	20
2 year olds	115
1 year old	189
Sheep	849
Swine	186

Selectmen's Report.

RESOURCES.

Tax deeds in hands of Treasurer Feb. 24, 1911	$115 57
Dinsmore Cemetery Fund	99 74
Uncollected taxes	128 70
C. A. Davis, execution	13 13
Cash	819 90
Received from Oakland for Dighton Knox	60 43
State for H. A. Franks	12 70
Palermo, tuition	25 00
Vassalboro, tuition	21 00
State Tax, 1910	2,802 46
County Tax, 1910	912 38
Town Tax	8,069 50
Overlayings	174 56
Refunded Dog Licenses	95 05
From Windsor, tuition	18 00
State for C. C. Goodale	10 25
Dinsmore Fund for Indigent persons	500 00
Received from Sidney for B. L. James	66 50
State for burial B. L. James	35 00
State on account State Road	396 31
State for sheep damage, 1909	5 00
Supplementary Tax	9 93
Received from Unity for Philip Childs	5 23
Fairfield for Yorks	155 52
Vassalboro for Yorks and Sturtevant	154 47
Oakland for Dighton Knox	59 83

State School Fund, 1910	921 41
State Mill Tax	1,217 89
Interest Dinsmore Fund	19 93
Received from Superintendent Town Farm	25 00
	$16,950 39

MISCELLANEOUS.

EXPENDITURES.

Paid printing Town Reports	$ 28 50
P. C. Thurston, abatements, 1909	30 40
P. C. Thurston, balance commitment 1909 percentage	64
Heath & Andrews, legal advice	3 00
For care and commitment of John S. Fernald	6 25
H. R. Perkins, digging grave for Betsey James	2 50
A. W. Haskell, removing remains of Betsey James to Oakland	5 50
F. E. Moody, undertaker for Betsey James	27 00
Loring, Short & Harmon for blank books	12 25
Newell White dog license blanks for Town Clerk	1 50
O. F. Sproul, making valuation book	15 00
H. H. Hall, care of town house	3 00
W. S. Ladd Co., printing blanks, Brown Tail Moth	1 66
For flag for China School	4 00
W. W. Washburn, recording births and deaths	11 40
G. J. Nelson, reporting births and deaths	5 75
M. M. Small, " "	6 25
C. H. Leach, " "	1 50

C. H. Leach, examination and reports case of John S. Fernald	7 00
M. M. Small, same	7 00
S. J. Newell, painting guide boards	11 75
H. P. Reed, postage and stationery	8 59
C. I. Haskell, destroying Brown Tail Moth nests	4 50
Irving Farrington, destroying Brown Tail Moth nests	4 50
E. M. Webber, destroying Brown Tail Moth nests	1 50
Fred Plaisted, destroying Brown Tail Moth nests	1 50
A. A Malcolm, destroying Brown Tail Moth nests	6 00
Raymond Dow, destroying Brown Tail Moth nests	3 75
Melvin Sturtevant, destroying Brown Tail Moth nests	3 75
C. D. Pearson, destroying Brown Tail Moth nests	3 00
C. A. Jones, destroying Brown Tail Moth nests	9 00
J. N. Hall, destroying Brown Tail Moth nests	3 75
Harry Mitchell, destroying Brown Tail Moth nests	75
F. D. Rand, cash paid for tools	2 15
F. A. Doe, Treasurer, abatement tax deed by error	2 56
F. A. Doe, abatement commitment 1910	59 07
F. A. Doe, percentage collecting commitment 1910	119 28
	$425 50

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid W. H. Jones, Moderator	$ 4 00
J. O. Fish, Auditor	2 00
A. N. Goodwin, Election Clerk	1 50
C. A. Jones, "	1 50
A. P. Mosher, Ballot Clerk	1 50
H. F. Whitehouse, "	1 50
A. G. Malcolm, School Committee	15 00
A. N. Goodwin, "	15 00
P. W. Dodge "	15 00
G. W. Starkey, Superintendent Schools	111 11
W. W. Washburn, Town Clerk	10 00
C. L. Buzzell, Truant Officer	2 00
O. F. Sproul, Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of Poor	193 00
Cash expense out of town	10 75
C. N. Webber, Selectman, Assessor and Overser of Poor	94 00
Cash expense out of town	7 15
F. D. Rand, Selectman, Assessor and Overseer of Poor	110 50
Cash expense out of town	8 10
	$603 61

BOARD OF HEALTH.

Fred J. Roberts	$ 7 00
J. E. Crossman	8 50
J. H. Mosher	10 00
J. H. Mosher, cash paid for disinfectants	12 73
G. W. Kenniston, assisting Perkins family	5 50
H. P. Reed, supplies to H. R. Perkins while under quarantine	40 55

M. M. Small, medical attendance, H. R. Perkins family		31 00
		$115 28
Miscellaneous expenditures		$425 50
Town officers		603 61
Board of Health		115 28
		$1,144 39
Appropriation	$1,100 00	
State for Betsey James	35 00	
		1,135 00
Overdrawn		$9 39

G. A. R.

Appropriation		$25 00
Paid A. J. Billings Post	$12 50	
James P. Jones Post	12 50	
		$25 00

POOR OFF FARM.

Paid Rev. H. B. Arey, burial services for George York	$ 3 00
Henry Perkins for board and care of Betsey James	66 50
A. N. Thurston for digging grave, etc., for George York	5 00
G. J. Nelson, medical attendance Dighton Knox	11 50
G. J. Nelson, medical attendance George York	39 00
G. J Nelson, medical attendance Frank York	36 00

G. J. Nelson, medical attendance Wellington York	50
G. J. Nelson, medical attendance Mrs. Edward Thurston	9 00
Rev. H. B. Arey, funeral services of Frank York	3 00
F. A. Doe for George York	22 81
F. A. Doe for Frank York	43 08
Chas. York, care of Frank York	2 00
Geo. M. Crommett, supplies to Geo. York and Alonzo York	22 06
Geo. F. Rowe for Dighton Knox	51 58
Geo. F. Rowe for Frank York	14 34
E. M. Moody for Wellington York	2 00
" Frank York	5 00
" Geo. York	5 00
" Dighton Knox	7 25
" Alonzo York	17 50
M. M. Small, medical attendance for Frank York	3 50
J. M. Wiggin for Geo. York	6 40
E. R. Dowe, undertaker's bill, Geo. York	26 00
E. R. Dowe, undertaker's bill, Frank York	23 00
City of Augusta for V. Poulitte	14 32
Mrs. Alice M. Clark, care of Mary A. Haskell	5 00
J. M. Wiggins for Frank York	4 06
F. A. Doe for Edward Thurston	3 00
" Chas. York	19 04
" Philip Childs	5 23
Geo. F. Rowe for Dighton Knox	35 34
P. G. Brown for Dighton Knox	2 88

P. G. Brown for Sarah E. Lovejoy and child		5 00
M. M. Small, medical attendance Clarence Sturtevant		10 00
E. M. Moody for Sarah E. Lovejoy and child		1 00
E. M. Moody for Edward Thurston		30 38
Fairfield for Mrs. Frank Farris		5 00
		$565 27

Of this sum other towns have paid as follows:

Sidney for Betsey L. James	$ 66 50	
Unity for Philip Childs	5 23	
Fairfield for Yorks	155 52	
Vassalboro for Yorks and Sturtevant	154 47	
Oakland for Dighton Knox	59 83	
	$441 55	
Due from Augusta for Sarah E. Lovejoy	6 00	
Due from Oakland for Dighton Knox	48 72	
		$496 27
Cost of Poor off Town Farm		$69 00

POOR ON FARM.

Paid E. R. Dowe, casket and robe, Damarius Hatch	$ 26 00
Wesley Haskell and wife, Supt. and matron	250 00
	$276 00

Surplus of farm paid to Treasurer.....	25 00
	$251 00
Add cost of poor off town.....	69 00
	$320 00
Unexpended.....	580 00
Appropriation.....	$900 00

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Geo. Crossman, 1909.....	$ 1 50
Berger Co., metal culverts.....	56 52
F. D. Shorey. 1909.....	1 50
E. T. Haskell.....	9 00
Proctor Bowie Co., drain pipe.....	14 00
Breaking down snow.....	485 63
Summer work	2,255 92
Special appropriation	25 00
	$2,849 07
Appropriation.....	2,725 00
Overdrawn.....	$124 07

STATE ROAD ACCOUNT.

EXPENDITURES.

Paid labor on State Road.....	$693 75
E. Buxton & Son Co., iron pipe.....	7 72
W. S. Reed, gravel	41 25
Proctor Bowie Co., cement.....	13 75
Berger Co., metal culverts.....	36 24
W. W & F. R. R., freight	3 60
	$796 31

Town appropriatien.....	$400 00	
Received from State	206 31	
		$796 31

SCHOOL ACCOUNT.

Paid teachers bills.....		$2,330 75
Transportation bills 1909.....		42 50
Transportation bills 1910.....		864 70
Fuel bills.....		192 45
		$3,430 40
Appropriation.....	$1,300 00	
State School Fund	921 41	
State Mill Fund.....	1,217 89	
Vassalboro for tuition 1909.....	21 00	
Palermo " "	25 00	
Windsor " "	18 00	
		$3,503 30
		3,430 40
Unexpended for year.....		$72 90
School repairs.....		$415 47
Unexpended from last year.....	$ 70 64	
Appropriation.....	150 00	
		220 64
Overdrawn.....		$194 83

SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

Unexpended from last year.....	$18 41
Appropriation.....	30 00
	$48 41
Expended.	40 37
Unexpended.....	$8 04

TEXT BOOKS.

Paid Silver, Burdett & Co	$37 05
Chas. Scribners Sons	6 60
American Book Co	53 00
D. Appleton & Co	14 42
D. C. Heath & Co	7 00
Rand McNally & Co	16 00
Mrs. O. E. Worth	1 50
A. P .Mosher	2 35
Harry O. Doe	3 80
H. F. Chadwick	1 50
C. L. Buzzell	2 10
Beryl Maguire	7 20
John Cuffe	1 50
L. L. Procter	4 10
E. W. Pierce	4 12
Scott Lewis	4 20
W. R. Webber	4 00
Wilson Hawes	3 95
W. E. Haskell	5 80
Ida M. Pierce	4 35
Everett E. Haskell	4 20
Angie C. Tobey	6 10
E. E. Babb & Co	57 78
Ginn & Co	74 72
	$327 34
Unexpended from former years	84 68
Appropriation	150 00
	$234 68
Overdrawn	92 66
Due Ginn & Co	53 80

FREE HIGH SCHOOLS.

Unexpended from former years	$125 00
Due from State, 1910	250 00
	$375 00
Paid W. J. Thompson	375 00

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Unexpended from former years	$ 74 60
Appropriation	164 50
	$239 10
Coupons	197 15
Unexpended	$41 95

BOND ACCOUNT.

Bonds outstanding Feb. 24, 1910	$4,700 00
Paid Bonds No. 34 and No. 35	1,000 00
Bonds outstanding	$3,700 00
Appropriation	1,000 00

DINSMORE CEMETERY FUND.

On deposit Feb. 24, 1910	$99 74
Interest accrued	4 00
	$103 74

DINSMORE FUND FOR INDIGENT PEOPLE.

Deposited March 1910	$500 00
Interest accrued	15 93
	$515 93

GENERAL STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES.

Miscellaneous account		$ 425 50
Town officers		603 61
Board of Health		115 28
Poor, off farm		565 27
Poor, on farm		276 00
Highways and bridges		2849 07
State road		796 31
Schools		3430 40
School repairs		415 47
School supplies		40 37
Text books		327 34
Free High Schools		375 00
Interest		197 15
Bonds		1000 00
County tax		912 38
State tax		2802 46
G. A. R		25 00
		$15,156 61
Resources	$16,950 39	
Expended	15,156 61	
	1,793 78	
Unpaid order No. 94	1 50	
		1,695 28

Leaving in the hands of F. A. Doe, Collector and Treasurer, as follows:

Tax deeds	97 59
C. A. Davis, execution	13 13
Dinsmore cemetery fund	103 74
Dinsmore fund for indigent persons	515 93
Uncollected taxes	41 10

State pensions paid..... ..	192 00
Cash.....	806 86
	1,770 35
In hand of B. F. Maher for collection.....	24 93
	$1,795 28

LIABILITIES.

Town bonds outstanding.....	$3,700 00
Due Ginn & Co., text books.....	53 80
Order unpaid, No. 94.....	1 50
	$3,755 30

AVAILABLE RESOURCES.

In hands Collector and Treasurer..	$1,175 61	
Due from State for Free High Schools.....	250 00	
Due from Oakland for Dighton Knox.....	48 72	
Due from Augusta for Sarah Lovejoy	6 00	
		$1,480 33
Balance against town.		$2,274 97

I hereby certify that I have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct with proper vouchers on file for same.

J. O. FISH, Auditor of Accounts for the town of China.

China, Me., March 3rd, 1911.

PAID FOR LABOR ON HIGHWAY SUMMER 1910.

L. B. Robinson, 1909.....	$ 7 75

E. P. Pullen,	"	8 80
W. E. Haskell,	"	3 17
Ulysses Haskell	"	2 11
Jas. L. Turner,	"	1 06
Frank Wood,	"	2 11

Special Appropriation	$25 00
E. E. Wentworth, labor	$33 25
Geo. H. Pooler	75
W. E. Colley	4 20
C. R. Getchell	29 25
E. A. Ward	23 50
A. D. Abbott	1 25
Lot Randall & Son	7 50
Abbie Ward	35
A. E. Doe	16 75
E. C. Bailey	5 95
P. C. Thurston	31 67
Geo. F. Thurston Jr	16 00
J. N. Hall	28 62
B. F. Jepson	1 50
F. B. Foye	4 35
Chas. Main	25 69
Chas. Bailey	17 50
C. F. Abbott	25 08
R. W. Weymouth	3 00
H. P. Chapman	1 50
C. W. Jones	8 50
Fred Lewis	7 00
Fred Lewis, material	1 40
A. N. Goodwin	3 90
Frank Patterson	3 00
J. W. Brown	5 25

Alton Seco	3 00
W. A. Fletcher	5 75
J. O. Fish	1 50
J. O. Fish, material	7 00
Wm. Broad	2 10
E. F. Shaw	5 03
Chas. Frye	8 00
J. H. Mosher	23 50
A. P. Mosher	9 25
L. W. Jones	3 50
Everett Hall	10 25
Lin Sabine	17 50
H. O. Doe	18 20
Wm. R Webber	9 50
John Randall	7 50
C. L. Ellis	10 60
H. W. Austin	16 15
Wilson Haskell	10 85
E. P. Pullen	18 10
L. B. Robinson	12 00
J. A. Jones, material	21 38
Wm. Raynes, material	10 00
Everett Thurston	5 50
Edward Thurston	4 00
Alfred Thurston	4 25
Elmer Thurston	5 45
Henry Talbot	1 50
W. O. Marden	9 75
C. C. Gove	5 25
F. O. Burgess	20 80
Ed. Lewis	75
O. N. G. Ward	33 40
C. A. Pinkham	4 25

H. N. Randall	19 80
S. N. Grindle	9 00
Oliver Webber	2 80
F. S. Mitchell	11 93
Jas. A. McLaughlin	16 50
James A. McLaughlin, material	5 00
Geo. A. Jackson	12 64
M. S. Harmon	5 75
R. E. Holt	4 25
H. P. Reed	15 90
A. L. Mosher	1 00
Fred McLellan	12 00
Fred McLellan	33 51
Michael Thomas	6 75
Fred Gleason	3 75
Frank Malcolm	24 50
Cony Malcolm	9 00
Ruel Proctor	26 25
Fred Brgg	17 00
J. A. Banks	10 55
P. W. Dodge	51 00
E. A. Dudley	44 00
H. M. Crommett	69 90
S. A. Plummer	6 05
R. L. Clifford	1 50
E. W. Pierce	43 75
A. A. Malcolm	11 60
Ralph Estes	75
C. R. Hatch	14 25
Silas Bowden	2 25
C. F. Beale	5 25
F. O. Coburn	12 75
Archie Bonney	19 50

W. B. Clifford	24 00
B. M. Feeeman	3 50
Willis Philbrick	3 70
Leon Lewis	13 50
J. E. Bessey	10 50
C. L. P. Handy	75
Chas. Parmenter	2 25
Ollie Kitchen	75
Geo. F. Rowe	32
Fred Thurston	5 25
Will Cole	7 00
Geo. F. Thurston	16 50
Cyrenus Pullen	1 00
C. F. Bumps	1 50
O. F. Sproul	11 38
C. N. Webber	34 00
F. D. Rand	39 25
John M. Small	17 00
E. M. Moody	20 60
Eli Worthing	7 35
Hart Ward	1 93
Fred Parks	1 50
W. S. Reed, material	10 00
A. R. Burrill	20 08
Ed. Haskell & Son	35 50
H. J. Haskell	10 80
A. W. Haskell	3 25
Thos. Norton	2 25
E. M. Webber	53 30
I. H. Reed	28 15
R. H. Reed	21 00
C. A. McCartney	4 50
S. H. McCartney	4 65

G. M. Ceossman	10 50
O. C. Morrill	7 00
Chas. Freeman	35 38
Daniel Webber	4 20
Chas. Randall	9 00
C. I. Haskell	20 90
E. C. Webber	25 00
N. R. Page	7 50
J. R. B. Dinsmore	15 75
Raymond Dowe	10 95
A. G. Tyler	5 40
Melvin Sturtevant	3 90
C. L. Buzzell	16 25
Henry Tyler	6 50
E. S. Kitchen, material	1 35
G. A. Bradstreet, material	2 60
Geo. H. Freeman	22 25
C. A. Rowe	1 50
H. H. Hall	19 55
W. J. Ward	12 63
Everett J. Haskell	25 20
Joseph Fernald	5 25
A. G. Malcolm	9 95
Alex Jackson	3 50
Buford Reed	1 50
Otis Hammon	1 75
S. C. Starrett	8 90
Levi Hallowell	5 00
Eben Hallowell	10 50
Frank Randall	10 50
D. L. Hyson	1 35
L. Z. Masse	4 81
J. L. Goddard	4 25

Joe Morrisette	3 75
N. Langley	13 50
Leon Hebert, material	8 25
J. W. Brown, "	5 82
E. B. Taylor, 1909	3 55
E. P. Kenrick, material	5 00
T. M. Foster	5 00
Geo E. Roberts & Son	2 50
Eugene Sprague	4 50
E. O. Taylor	1 00
W. R. Ward, material	21
Geo. Wentworth	3 50
E. E. Farnsworth	3 50
J. A. Woodsum	5 00
W. B. Shuman	3 00
W. O. Farrington	6 00
E. R. Chadwick	4 50
A. D. Chadwick	14 25
Henry Arnold	14 00
J. E. McMitchell	2 10
F. A. Young	10 95
R. R. Parmenter	4 73
J. L. Turner	3 50
F. A. Doe	8 10
C. W. Emerson	75
T. S. Farrington, material	2 00
J. A. Jones	8 16
Geo. Norton	1 40
Wm. Crosman	2 95
Everett Goodspeed	2 25
Silas Crommett	10 25
Walter Tobey, labor and material	46 13
A. P. Morrill	7 00

J. B. Morrill	10 00
Philander Freeman	2 25
C. B. Clark	5 25
Frank Clark	1 25
Daniel Clark	12 70
Chas. Freeman, material	1 50
W. J. Thompson	8 25
D. H. Burrill	6 60
Jas. T. Cook	1 50
O. J. Crane	5 25
O. J. Crane, material	2 00
J. N. Hall, "	2 10
C. A. Jones	6 00
W. H. Jones	13 50
W. F. Morse	4 50
W. A. Morrill	7 45
P. G. Brown	61
Alonzo Boynton	30
Fred Howard	1 00
Town Farm Superintendent	4 13
Fred Plaisted	2 25
Frank Adams	1 88
Chas. Jackson	3 00
J. M. Goodspeed	13 75
F. E. Jones	2 12
E. T. Haskell	3 00
Walter Jerolman	55
	$2,255 92

STATE ROAD WORK.

P. W. Dodge, labor	$17 00
Carl Perkins	6 00
E. W. Pierce	8 25

C. R. Hatch	12 00
E. A. Dudley	21 50
I. H. Reed	36 75
R. H. Reed	12 25
Buford Reed	6 75
Ruel Procter	63 00
E. M. Webber	35 00
Otis Hammon	23 25
F. D. Malcolm	49 00
F. O. Bonney	9 75
Fred Bragg	13 50
Everett J. Haskell	26 25
Geo. H. Freeman	28 50
J. A. Banks	20 25
Lawrence Crommett	4 50
Jasper Crommett	29 75
A. G. Malcolm	36 75
J. H. Mosher	26 25
Fred Mosher	3 00
Forrest Holway	1 50
Alex Jackson	22 75
Geo. Norton and son	43 50
C. N. Webber	6 00
F. D. Rand	2 00
Emery Haskell and son	27 00
A. P. Mosher	7 00
Archie Coburn	21 00
A. L. Mosher	10 50
Oloud Morrill	10 50
Geo. M. Crosman	3 50
Eben Hallowell	7 00
William Doe	2 25
J. E. McMitchell	4 00
O. F. Sproul	36 00
	$693 75

RECEIPTS OF TOWN FARM SUPERINTENDENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 27, 1911.

Received for	butter sold	$122 80
	Eggs sold	5 44
	Sweet corn sold	78 76
	Potatoes sold	89 67
	Chickens sold	13 92
	Round hog sold	40 00
	Cow sold	40 00
	Straw sold	11 30
	Corn fodder sold	5 00
	Calves sold	10 75
	Wind mill sold	2 50
	Hoops sold	5 25
	Strawberries sold	2 37
	Fence stakes sold	2 00
	Hens sold	6 00
	Sprayer sold	1 50
	Board C. C. Goodale	15 14
	Labor off farm	39 10
		$491 50

DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for	groceries	$160 12
	Sawing lumber	1 52
	Fly killer	1 00
	Bottom for separator tank	50
	Grinding grist	1 00
	Sawing wood	4 95
	Paris green	50
	Threshing oats	5 68
	Medicine	38
	Grass seed	4 39

Repairing sled	1 25
Dishes	1 50
Pigs	16 00
Paint	26
Use of male animals	1 75
Horse shoeing	1 50
Hardware	80
Fertilizer	71 61
Medical attendance	7 50
Filing horse's teeth	50
Expense of hearse	2 00
Shoes	1 50
Seed potatoes	1 25
Axe	65
Meat	28 51
Grain	99 42
Hired help	39 10
Paid to Town Treasurer	25 00
Cash on hand Feb. 27, 1911	11 37
	$491 50

INVENTORY OF ROAD MACHINERY.

2 road machines	$200 00
2 steel scrapers	10 00
2 steel drills	1 00
1 plow	8 00
4 spades	1 50
2 brown-tail moth pruners	2 00

INVENTORY OF STOCK AND PRODUCE ON FARM FEBRUARY 27, 1911.

1 horse	$60 00
3 cows	90 00

2 shoats	15 00
40 hens	20 00
6 tons hay	50 00
2 tons straw	6 00
75 bu. potatoes	12 00
1 1-2 bu. beans	3 00
25 lbs. pork	2 50
90 bushels oats	36 00
1 mowing machine	20 00
1 horse rake	10 00
1 horse sled	5 00
1 cider barrel	1 00
1 wheelbarrow	2 50
2 shovels	1 00
Manure fork	50
Cultivator	3 00
Plow	3 00
Harrow	5 00
Hay fork rope	3 00
Express wagon	5 00
Farm wagon and rack	20 00
Iron bar and ox chain	2 00
2 harness	20 00
2 baskets	50
2 flour barrels	40
Butter worker	7 00
Hatchet	50
Hoe	30
Street blanket	2 50
Stable blanket	1 00
1 sledge and wedge	75
1 pitch fork	30
1 separator	25 00

14 cords stove wood	49 00
	$482 75

DELINQUENT TAXES.

C. L. Buzzell	$6 22
Alonzo Boynton	3 27
C. A. Davis	1 00
Fred Gleason	1 50
Forrest Holway	3 00
W. A. Morrill	9 60
J. E. McMitchell	3 25
Geo. Norton	4 35
Edward Thurston	3 21
Gardner Tyler	5 70
	$41 10

IN HANDS OF B. F. MAHER.

Kennebec Water District	$24 93

REMARKS.

The care of the Town Farm was again entrusted to Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Haskell, who, we believe, have performed their duties faithfully and well. One of the three inmates of the almshouse reported last year has left the State, two have died, and none have been admitted during the year.

We believe it will be well for the town in its annual meeting to consider if some different management in relation to the Town Farm and hearse may not be advisable.

Very nearly three-quarters of a mile (3900 ft.) of State Road has been built and completed in the south part of the town, accepted by the State anthorities and State aid received for the same.

Respectfully submitted,

O. F. SPROUL,
C. N. WEBBER,
F. D. RAND,
} Selectmen of China.

China, March 3, 1911.

Board of Healh.

TWENTY-FOURTH ANNUAL REPORT.

In behalf of the Board of Health I submit the following report.

Quarterly meetings have been held in May, August, November and February as the law requires. There have been reported to us during the year three deaths by tuberculosis, two cases of infantile paralysis, one of typhoid fever and three of scarlet fever.

The three cases of scarlet fever occurred in the family of Henry Perkins at Weeks Mills. This home was under quarantine for forty days.

Respectfully,

J. H. MOSHER, Secretary.

February 28th, 1911.

Report of School Committee.

To the Citizens of the Town of China:—

We submit our annual report for the year ending September 22, 1911.

The amount of money received and expended will be found in the Superintendent's report. The schoolhouse at Weeks Mills has been repaired the past year; also repairs have been made on a number of our other school buildings.

The Committee recommend that there be a school in the Clark District so called, and that a sum of money be raised and appropriated to establish the same.

We recommend the following appropriations for the ensuing year:

1st. That $1200 be raised for common schools.

2nd. That $175 be raised for text books and $30 for supplies.

3rd. That $200 be appropriated for repairs on school buildings.

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. MALCOLM,
A. N. GOODWIN,
P. W. DODGE,
} School Committee.

Superintendent's Report.

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of China:—

During the past year the schools of this town have proceeded with their work, so far as classes and lessons are concerned in much the same way as for the two previous years, except that I believe the development has been less spasmodic on account of the better arranged plan resulting from the adoption and use of the definite course of study and the closer study of the needs of the individual child. The average standard of efficiency has at least been maintained and probably somewhat advanced, although results in several instances have been entirely unsatisfactory to me and many things which I expected to accomplish before the end of the year it was found either impossible or impracticable to do. Some schools have been better and some poorer than last year. The number of teachers employed has been fifteen against twenty-one last year. This means that pupils have been in most cases a longer time under the same instructor, which of itself indicates a distinct gain provided the instruction has been otherwise as good as it would have been if a change had been made. As the ability of any teacher is an unknown quantity until she has been given an opportunity to show what she can do, it is of course impossible to know what might have been the result in schools where you might have thought a change desirable. The fact that good and experienced teachers are more scarce today than ever before puts large numbers of towns at a decided disadvantage because they are absolutely unable to pay wages in competition with larger towns and cities.

We have been able this year to increase the number of school weeks to thirty.one against thirty last year and twenty.seven the year before. This increase should mean that the work could be done much more thoroughly than heretofore rather than that a much greater amount of ground should be covered and I believe that such has been the result. Here it may not be out of order for me to answer a question which is probably asked me more than any other: that is, "Why not have fewer weeks of school and use our money in paying better wages to more experienced and better trained teachers? The answer is simply that those teachers who can command the high wages are already employed in towns which give them this higher rate for a year of thirty-three to thirty-six weeks.

The only change in text books for the year has been to substitute a new advanced history for two upper grades in all the schools. In addition to this there has been put into use a few new supplementary readers in all the classes where such seemed necessary. In the larger scheols some additional kindergarten material for the youngest children has been supplied and has proved of great value to both teachers and children in carrying on their work. For the coming year I wish to recommend a change in the primary arithmetics which I consider to have been very unsatisfactory.

By far the most encouraging thing of the whole year to me has been the way in which you have taken hold of the work to improve the appearance of schoolrooms. We now have a splendid start to increased attractiveness in seven of the ten schoolrooms and in another year we need not be ashamed to have visitors from outside the town come to inspect the interior conditions in a single one of our rooms. After the walls and ceilings were tinted during the summer

vacation teachers and children began to work with a will to provide articles of furninishings and equipment. The more attractive the room can be made the greater influence for good will the surroundings have upon the child and the more will he come to respect what is best in the whole world about him. By all means let the good work go on and let parents and teachers encourage it to the fullest extent.

For the first time in several years the Hanson School has maintained its average attendance of eight but the school in the Dirigo district has fallen below that number and is therefore closed in accordance with the law for the coming year. The total number of pupils registered shows a slight decrease for the whole town, but this can be accounted for by the fact that last year in the fall term there were several pupils in attendance from Palermo at the Branch Mills school. Disregarding these the average attendance has been somewhat better.

In accordance with the vote of the town a contract was made with Erskine Academy for the education of all High School pupils of the town. The number availing themselves of this privilege has been smaller than last year which is to be regretted as the school has been better fitted to give the grade of instruction desired than when the number to be benefited by it has been greater.

In summarizing the work of the year I would say that never have the teachers of the town worked harder to justify their occupying the positions which they do and never have they shown greater professional interest in their work as is shown by the large number who have attended County, State and District meetings, establishing this year a record unequalled for this town, and others who did not attend were deterred from so doing only by great difficulties.

The common school register is hereby given.

COMMON SCHOOL REGISTER.

		Teacher	Total Reg.	Av. Att.	Wages
Stanley Hill	Spring	Josephine Reynolds,	15	13	$ 7 00
	Fall	"	18	15	7 00
	Winter	"	14	12	7 00
China Gram.	Spring	Belle Gott,	16	12	9 00
	Fall	Marion Taylor,	19	17	9 00
	Winter	"	19	15	9 25
China Prim.	Spring	Florence Ward,	21	15	7 00
	Fall	"	19	14	7 50
	Winter	"	16	14	7 50
Dirigo	Spring	Bernice Whitehouse,	9	7	7 50
	Fall	Harriet Ward,	9	8	6 00
	Winter	"	8	5	6 00
Plains	Spring	Ellen M. Pierce,	15	14	6 50
	Fall	"	13	11	7 00
	Winter	"	9	8	7 50
Weeks Mills	Spring	Myrtie M. Brown,	33	25	8 00
	Fall	"	35	27	8 00
	Winter	"	34	26	8 50
South China	Spring	Harold Jones,	33	25	10 00
	Fall	Georgia Farnsworth,	28	24	9 00
	Winter	"	31	26	9 50
Deer Hill	Spring	Gertrude Jordan,	16	12	7 00
	Fall	Lida M. Pierce,	12	9	6 50
	Winter	Ermina Jones,	13	9	6 00
Branch Mills	Spring	Myrtle L. Commett,	16	14	7 50
	Fall	"	20	16	7 50
	Winter	"	15	12	7 50
Hanson	Spring	Ada G. Mosher,	10	9	6 00
	Fall	"	10	8	6 50
	Winter	"	8	7	7 00

I wish to thank all who by their cooperation have greatly assisted me in the work of the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

GLENN W. STARKEY.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

COMMON SCHOOLS.

Teachers' Wages.

L. Belle Gott	$ 90 00
Florence A. Ward	227 50
Myrtie L. Crommett	232 50
Gertrude M. Jordan	70 00
Myrtie M. Brown	253 50
Ellen M. Pierce	217 50
Berniece Whitehouse	75 00
Ada G. Mosher	202 00
Harold W. Jones	100 00
Josephine Reynolds	217 00
Marion L. Taylor	194 25
Lida M. Pierce	65 00
Harriet M. Ward	126 00
Georgia Farnsworth	194 50
Ermina Jones	66 00
Total Teachers' Wages	$2,330 75

Transportation.

E. E. Wentworth	$186 00
E. Gordon	131 75
F. A. Young	154 50
J. H. Mosher	91 45
Walter Jerrolman	217 00
F. E. Wood	40 00
Bert Hall	44 00
Total Transportation	$864 70

Fuel.

J. S. Burns	$ 9 50
E. H. Reed	12 00
J. L. Turner	16 00
H. M. Crommett	14 00
S. A. Plummer	15 75
H. J. Haskell	20 75
H. P. Reed	6 75
F. O. Burgess	50
S. Wetzler	17 50
Alton Seco	1 50
S. Farnsworth	25 00
Charles Main	1 00
W. Tobey	3 50
C. F. Abbott	34 00
Fred Thurston	6 75
C. H. Freeman	4 45
A. G. Malcolm	3 50
Total Fuel	$ 192 45
Brought forward, teaching	2,330 75
Brought forward, transportation	864 70
	$3,387 80

Balance from last year	$ 181 33	
Town appropriation	1,300 00	
Received from State	2,139 30	
Total resources		$3,620 63
Balance unexpended		$232 83

Repairs.

A. N. Goodwin	$ 25
Mrs. J. A. Rowe	3 00
H. J. White	19 00

Mrs. C. E. Norton	5 00
C. H. Freeman	9 75
W. H. Connor	16 87
Thomas Norton	2 00
C. W. Hammond	8 55
A. G. Malcolm	57 15
Fred Bragg	21 00
P. G. Brown	12 31
A. P. Mosher	4 25
L. Z. Masse	5 24
A. R. Burrill	3 98
J. L. Hammett Co.	7 50
E. M. Shuman	9 66
P. W. Dodge	10 85
J. A. Bradstreet	70
C. M. Clifford	2 50
Alberta Rowe	9 00
Jennie Reed	4 00
G. L Gilman	9 63
E. A. Dudley	7 50
I. H. Reed	4 50
E. M. Webber	1 70
F. McLellan	42 00
L. A. Bowler	37 22
F. O. Bonney	24 50
F. Holloway	2 00
J. Williams	2 50
O. S. Bartlett	3 50
W. E. Haskell	1 50
Mabel Ward	5 00
W. W. Washburn	50 25
F. C. Ward	3 00
H. P. Reed	76

F. A. Doe		52
I. H. Reed		1 50
		$410 24
Balance expended 1910	$103 38	
Town appropriation	150 00	
Total		$253 38
Over expended		$156 85

Text Books.

Silver Burdett Co		$45 00
American Book Co		53 00
D. C. Heath & Co		7 00
Charles Scribners Sons		6 60
D. Appleton & Co		14 42
Acct. Erskine Academy		17 90
Ginn & Company		97 02
Total		$240 94
Balance from last year	$153 97	
Town appropriation	150 00	
For old books, Ginn & Co	7 54	
" Babb & Co	6 02	
" Silver Burdett	7 95	
Total resources		$325 48
Balance unexpended		$84 54

Supplies.

Milton Bradley Co	$ 4 78
G. M. Crommett	35
G. F. Rowe	95
W. R. Ward	13 46

A. N. Goodwin		30
G. W. Starkey		10 20
W. F. Hawes		1 50
P. G. Brown		1 97
H. P. Reed		5 96
P. W. Dodge		90
Total		$40 37
Balance from last year	$67 77	
Town appropriation	30 00	
Total resources		$97 77
Balance unexpended		$57 40

VITAL STATISTICS

Recorded in the Town of China from February 26, 1910, to February 27, 1911.

MARRIAGES.

Date of Marriage		Place of Marriage	Name of Groom	Name of Bride	Residince of Groom	Residence of Bride
1910						
February	26	China	William D. Tuttle	Beulah M Wheeler	Canaan	Skowhegan
March	9	"	John Frank Adams	Emma May Sibley	China	China
April	9	Augusta	Ruel T. Ellis Jr.	Annie Woodworth	"	Augusta
	26	China	Clarence F. Howard	Evelyn E. Goddard	Winslow	China
June	7	"	David Chimpine	Mary A. White	China	"
July	6	"	Alton S. Mace	Dora Butterfield	Waterville	Waterville
	31	Windsor	Everett D. Jackson	Hazel M. Norton	China	China
August	10	China	Roy Earl Coombs	Mabel Dora Ward	Vassalboro	"
	25	Windsor	Frances I. Robinson	Lottie J. Fernald	"	"
October	24	China	Albert Fuller Taylor	Ethel May Pearson	Melrose, Mass	"
Nov.	14	"	Ira M. Choate	Dora L. Elliott	Windsor	Windsor
Dec.	31	Augusta	Fred C. Denico	Sadie E. Ward	China	China
1911						
January	4	Boston, Mass.	Earl Raymond Dowe	Margaret Bell McLean	China	Boston, Mass.
	8	China	James B. Mitchell	Edith Florence Johnson	"	China
	28	"	Frank Wilson Hawes	Verda Elena Percival	"	"

BIRTHS.

Date of Birth		Place of Birth	Name of Child	Names of Parents	Residence of Parents
1910					
February	26	China, Me.	John Farley Weeks	Harvey J. and Evelyn Weeks	China
March	4	"	Leila Gertrude Randall	Charles H. and Francis Randall	"
	17	"	Bernice Violet Light	Eugene and Blanche E. Light	Augusta
	22	"	Fordyce Philander Fitzgerald	Fred and Ella R. Fitzgerald	China
April	2	"	Cornelia Arline Herriugton	David B. and Martha M. Herrington	"
May	18	"	Marie Lillian Bumps	Arvide M. and Susie A. Bumps	"
	27	"	Carroll Elmore Hallowell	Eben and Lottie M. Hallowell	"
June	13	"	Helen Etta Kitchen	Orlave L. and Grace Gerald	"
July	9	"	George R. Stevens Jr.	George R. and Winnifred J. Stevens	"
August	18	"	Ellery Allen Prescott	Allen D. and Mae V. Prescott	Augusta
September	4	"	Howard Ernest Merriil	Perley R. and Gertrude Merrill	China
	14	"	Ralph Perley Jackson	Perley A. and Inez M. Jackson	"
October	14	"	Letha Evelyn Bailey	Charles E. and Mabel H. Bailey	"
	24	"	Carlton Franklin Noyes	Franklin F and Ethel I Noyes	"
November	5	"	Etta Adaline Hallowell	Robert E. and Veada B. Hallowell	"
	7	"		Charles L. and Bertha M. Buzzell	"
	13	"	James Melvin Haskell	Albert W. and Georgia A Haskell	"
	13	"	Marjorie Pearle Webber	Coney N. and Pearle A. Webber	"
	17	"	Robert Edward Beane	J Frank and Alice M. Beane	"
	18	"	Alonzo Warren Miller	Warren H and Fannie K Miller	"
December	2	"	Marjorie Bassett	Alexander O and Bertha Bassett	"
	17	"	Bernice Hope Thompson	Percey A. and Alice Thompson	"
1911					
January	16	"	Beatrice Josephine Mosher	Herbert J and Josephine M. Mosher	"
	28	"		Fred and Emily McLellan	"
February	16	"		H H and Nettie A. Hall	"
	19	"	Merlon Nelson Farris	Archie C and Florence M Farris	"
	20	"	Everlyn Fay Thurston	Everett and Cora E. Thurston	"
	20	"	Ethel Arline Thurston	" "	"

DEATHS.

Date of Death		Place of Death	Name of Deceased	AGE Years	Months	Days	Single, Married, Widowed or Divorced	Place of Birth	Place of Burial Cemetery	Town
1910										
February	25	China, Me.	Lura A. Varney	73	7	21	W	Vassalboro	China Village	China
	26	"	Daniel W. Wentworth	70	11		M	Embden	"	"
March	12	"	Matilda A Manning	75	11	14	W	Castine		Malden, Mass
April	2	"	Doris Pearl Thurston		7	14	S	China	Breed	China
	14	"	George A. York	32	7	20	D	"		Winslow
	17	Freeport, Me	Jane G. Parmenter	91	8	28	W	Skowhegan	China Village	China
	21	China, Me.	Mary A. Cook	70	11	15	M	China	Weeks Mills	"
	29	"	William S. Hunnewell	61	11	5	W	"	Lake View	"
May	21	Augusta, Me	Hiram S Gray	75	10	8	M	Monson	Weeks Mills	"
	28	China, Me	Nelson H. Thurston		6	24	S	China	Branch Mills	"
June	12	"	Aravesta M Mosher	58	9	28	M	Palermo	Weeks Mills	"
	13	"	Betsey L. James	88	9	6	W	Fairfield		Oakland
	23	"	Frank F. York	47	3	30	M		Town Farm	China
July	9	"	George R. Stevens Jr.			1	S	China		Fairfield
	31	"	Timothy S Farrington	60	4	21	M	Windsor	Chadwick Hill	China
August	9	"	Daniel Y. White	74		1	M	Gardiner	"	"
	19	"	Jason Crosman	90	10	23	W	China	Dirigo	"
	25	"	Mary Small	78			W	Ireland		Waterville
October	1	"	Eliza J. Jones	76	9	24	W	Vassalboro	Lake View	China
	26	"	Damaris R. Hatch	73			S	China	Deer Hill	"

	31	"	Charles B. Lincoln	76	3	3	M	Albion	Lincoln	Albion
November	9	"	Ralph W. Weymouth	43			M	Blanchard		Limestone
December	3	"	Mary E. McLaughlin	84			S	China	Weeks Mills	China
	10	Nat Soldiers Home	Asa Berry	69			M	New York, N Y	Lake View	"
1911										
January	7	China, Me	Louis Wentworth	1	3		S	China	China Neck	"
	28	"	Leila G. Randall		11		S	"	"	"
February	1	"	Andrew Small	59	6	11	M	"	Lake View	"
	6	"	Sybil J. Hall	81	2	19	M	"	Dudley	"
	6	"	Florence M. Abbott	40			M	Augusta	China Village	China
	10	"	Margorie Bassett		2	8	S	China	Chadwick Hill	"
	11	Albion. Me	Hannah M. Davis	72	6	14	W	Unity	Lake View	"
	19	China, Me	Warren E. Morrell	67	5	10	M	China	Dudley	"

W. W. WASHBURN, Town Clerk

Town Warrant.

To Frank A. Doe, a constable in the Town of China, in the County of Kennebec, and State of Maine, Greeting:

In the name of the State of Maine you are hereby required to notify the inhabitants of the said Town of China, qualified by law to vote in town affairs, to assemble at the Town House in said town, on Monday the thirteenth day of March, A. D. 1911, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, to wit:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

Article 3. To choose Selectmen for the ensuing year.

Article 4. To choose Assessors for the ensuing year.

Article 5. To choose Overseers of Poor for the ensuing year.

Article 6. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Article 7. To choose a member of the School Committee for a term of three years.

Article 8. To choose one or more Road Commissioners for the ensuing year and establish pay for same.

Article 9. To choose an Auditor for the ensuing year.

Article 10. To choose a Collector of Taxes, and one or more Constables for the ensuing year.

Article 11. To choose all other necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

2,500.

Article 12. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repair of roads and bridges and the breaking down of snow.

Article 13. To see if the town will vote yes or no upon the adoption of the provisions of Chapter 112 of the Public Laws of Maine, for the year 1907, amended by Chapter 69, Public Laws of 1909, relating to the appropriation of money necessary to entitle the town to State Aid for highways for the year 1911.

Article 14. To see what sum of money, if any. the town will raise and appropriate in addition to the amounts regularly raised and appropriated for the care of ways, highways and bridges, the sum of $400.00 being the maximum amount which the town is allowed to raise under the provisions of Chapter 112 of the Public Laws of Maine, for the year 1907, as amended by Chapter 69, Pubiic Laws of 1909. $ 400.00

Article 15. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of poor. None.

Article 16. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the support of schools. $ 1300.00

Article 17. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate to pay the tuition of its High School scholars. " 250.00

Article 18. To see if the town will instruct the School Committee to contract for the education of its High School scholars as provided in Section 62, Chapter 15, of the School Laws of Maine. If so, what school?

Article 19. To see if the town will vote to instruct the School Committee to establish a school in the Clark District for the ensuing year.

Article 20. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for maintaining a Free High School.

Article 21. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the repair of school buildings. $ 200.00

$ 25.00

Article 22. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of writing books and other necessary school supplies.

$ 175.00

Article 23. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the purchase of text books.

500.00

Article 24. To see if the town will vote to build a new Schoolhouse in Clark District, so-called, to be located on land now owned by Daniel L. Clark, and to raise and appropriate money for the same.

$ ~~500.00~~ 1,200.00

Article 25. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for miscellaneous expenses.

$ 130.00

Article 26. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for interest on town's indebtedness.

$ 25.00

Article 27. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of $25.00; $12.50 to be given J. P. Jones Post, G. A. R., and the same smount to A. J. Billings Post, G. A.fR., to help pay Memorial expenses.

Article 28. To see if the town will vote to authorize its Superintending School Committee to join with either or any of the following towns, to wit, Vassalboro and Windsor for the purpose of employing a Superintendent of Schools in accordance with the provisions of Section 40 to 45 inclusive, of Chapter 15 of the Revised Statutes.

Article 29. To see what method the town will take in relation to the collection of taxes for the ensuing year.

Article 30. To see what sum of money the town will vote to raise and appropriate for the liquidation of the town's indebtedness.

Article 31. To see what instructions, if any, the town will give the Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor in relation to the management of the Town Farm and of the Hearse.

Article 32. To sse if the town will instruct the Road Commissioners for the ensuing year to employ a capable

man with a team to go over all the roads of the town in rotation about once in two weeks from May 1st to Nov. 1st, to repair the roads where most needed.

Article 33. To see if the town will vote to accept the list of Jurors as revised by the Selectmen, Town Treasurer and Town Clerk.

Hereof fail not, and have you there this Warrant with you doings thereon.

The Selectmen hereby give notice thae they will be at the Town House in said town, at eight o'clock on the morning of said meeting for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands at China this third day of March A. D. 1911.

O. F. SPROUL,
C. N. WEBBER,
F. D. RAND,
} Selectmen of China.

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